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From the Editor

With the school year underway, I would like to take this opportunity to welcome everyone to Cowley. Hopefully you are enjoying your classes and this school year.

As you may have noticed, before the school year started, there were some changes made in the administration. These changes are the topic of one of our ***PULSE*** *stories. As the year progresses, the staff and I will try to keep the stories as up-to-date as possible. Because of our printing time, however, some of the stories will seem like past events. This does not change the value of the memory the event holds for each of you individually.*

The ***PULSE*** *is distributed to be a memory keepsake for the students of Cowley. In later years, you can look back at the magazine and say "I knew this person" or "I was involved in this activity." The* ***PULSE*** *can help keep those college memories around.*

The magazine underwent a lot of changes this year. There were sections of the magazine that were taken out; and sections that were added. One such section is the "Cowley Shorts." This was added to give some variety to the ***PULSE.*** *Each issue will contain different Cowley facts and funny tidbits.*

The ***PULSE*** *will be published four times this year, so do not miss out on an issue. If you see a staff member, congratulate them on their hard work, they deserve it.*

Once again, welcome to Cowley!

Melinda

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The Magic's Back

Fall 1990 brings us back to another year of school with all its sights, sounds and memories. The theme The Magic's Back reminds us of orientation, Steven Craig's magic tricks and first days of classes. The cover graphic was done by freshman, Aimee Aubert. Thanks also to Mark Patrick for his help with the cover.

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Cowley County has had many good basketball teams, but there was just one great team. What sets a great team apart from a good team? Coaches like Dan Kahler, pictured right, and players like Ray Potter and Lafayette Norwood certainly help, but that isn't the answer. It took *people* like Kahler, Potter and Norwood. Once there is an *entire team* with hearts like those three, only then can you have a great team...



Kahler and the Boys:

The Great Team of 1952-53

by Pat Obley

On any particular autumn day, a person could walk across the floor of W.S. Scott Auditorium and feel the richness of memories and great moments shared by people in the ages gone-by.

In the rafters of the venerable building hang banners that tell of the triumphs of great Cowley teams of the past.

Those orange banners represent many years and many different sports, from football to soccer to baseball, and of course basketball.

Among those many banners is one in particular. A banner that represents an intense coach and the fiery team that took after him during an era in history that would be known as the Golden Age of Cowley sports.

That banner represents the 1952-53 Cowley basketball team that came within an eyelash of the national championship.

In truth, the construction of that great basketball team began long before that season.

After Dan Stark retired as Tiger coach in 1946, Cowley suffered through six mediocre seasons prompting Cowley to hire Dan Kahler, who was coaching at Southwestern College in Winfield at the time.

As a result of that move, Cowley automatically earned its first recruit of the Kahler era, a slick-moving guard named Raymond Potter.

"I knew Dan Kahler while he was still coaching at Southwestern," relates Potter. "I used to drive him crazy when I was a kid, because I would always get him up early in the morning so I could practice in the Southwestern gym.

"He and I became pretty good friends during my high school years, so when I learned that he took the job at Cowley, and that my wife-to-be had also decided to go there, I turned down several better offers and opted to go there."

Later, as the result of a



Ray Potter averaged 21.2 points that season to lead the team. Potter moved on to Southwestern College. Potter's son, Ray Potter Jr., also played basketball for Cowley

conversation between Potter and Kahler, two more pieces of the puzzle came together.

"In my senior year at Winfield, we made it all the way to the state championship. During that game, I played against two black guys named Lafayette Norwood and Linwood Burns. They had the moves," laughed Potter.

"One day, in a matter of conversation, I mentioned to Dan that he ought to recruit those two, and he did."

"Those two could really play ball," said Cecil Hawkins, another member of the team. "Lafayette and Linwood were two of the quickest guys I've ever seen."

Added in with Burns, Hawkins, Norwood and Potter, were Seymour Seitchick from Philadelphia, Jim Reed and Jack King from Winfield, J.C. Louderback and Don Hunt of Arkansas City and Reece Bohannon of Cedarvale.

With those ten players, Kahler began to mold a winner.

"He ran us like crazy," laughed Hawkins. "Run, run, run. Shoot those free throws, use the fundamentals."

"Dan was very precise," added Potter. "He was precise grammatically, and he would teach us to be just as precise.

"He was a master of his own conduct. That is, he exuded self control. That's they way he played basketball when he was a player at Southwestern. He was an exceptional player. I saw him play when I was in the sixth grade, and I patterned myself after him."

Another inspiration to the team was the play of Norwood and Burns, Potter said.

"Their (Norwood and Burns) personalities were such that they were very forceful and aggressive. That added into our formula. It was exceptional for that time to see black players play that way."

The early 1950s were bad times for black basketball players like Norwood and Burns. Some teams during that time did not allow blacks on the team, but Cowley was different.

"We were a close team," Hawkins said. "We ate, traveled and slept together, and it didn't matter what color our skin was."

> "He ran us like crazy. Run, run, run. Shoot those free throws, use the fundamentals."
>
> - Cecil Hawkins on coach Dan Kahler's coaching style

Potter remembered a time when the racial question came to a flash point.

"Early on that season, we (the team) were in Kansas City. When we went in to a restaurant one evening, the manager said that they wouldn't allow black people to eat, so we all walked out."

That show of devotion to one another helped to strengthen the bonds of the team, making the Tigers better than before.

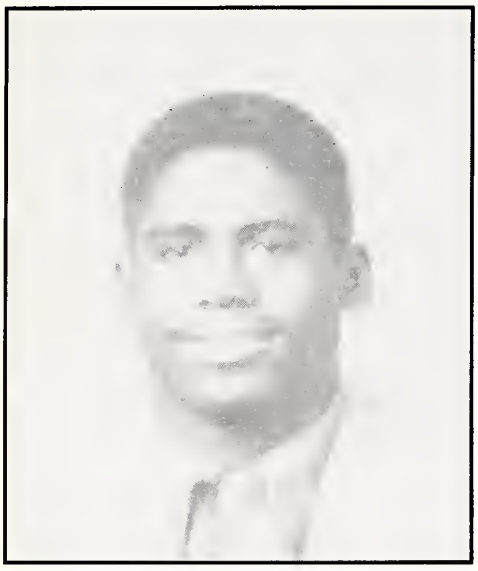
The Tigers began the season



Lafayette Norwood still stands today as the 16th most prolific scorer in school history with 876 points.

Aside from playing in the basketball team, Cecil Hawkins was also president of the student council.





Linwood Burns came to Cowley with Norwood. Once at Cowley, Burns established himself as a solid rebounder. Today, Burns still ranks in the top 30 on Cowley's all-time career scoring chart.

looking more like the mediocre teams of the past, posting a 4-3 mark after falling to El Dorado 59-50. Cowley would lose just one more time the rest of the season.

Potter was the main cog in the offense, scoring on a 21.2 point clip, at that time an unprecedented team record. His best showing was in a 68-58 win over El Dorado in mid-season when he tallied 43 points.

Norwood's moves had him a close second to Potter in scoring average throughout the season, at one point scoring 33 points in a game.

El Dorado was an opponent that the Tigers played often. After that early season loss to the Grizzlies, Cowley took the next two meetings, the last of which earned the Tigers a pivitol playoff spot.

Because of the structure of the playoffs, Cowley had to go on the road throughout the playoffs.

First up for the Tigers were the Conquistadors of Dodge City, the last team to beat the Tigers. The Tigers fought off a late charge to win 76-64.

Next, the Tigers had to beat Chanute twice for the state championship. They did so handily, swamping the Panthers 98-70 for the title.

The road was rougher at the national regional at Dodge City as the Tigers squeaked past Coffeyville and Ft. Scott setting up yet another meeting with El Dorado for the berth to the national tournament.

The Tigers pulled off the win by the narrowest of margins, 83-82.

The Tigers' first foe was Moberly, Mo.

"That was probably one of the tougher games we ever played," Potter said.

Moberly was big, and they let Cowley know about their size advantage, pounding the Tigers inside with bruising blows from elbow jabs.

Cowley shot ahead in the second half, but Moberly fought back and was down by a basket with time running out.

"Moberly had a guy by the name of Cotton Fitzsimmons (now head coach of the NBA's Phoenix Suns). He was their big point man, but we had shut him down throughout the game. I remember that game best because I was the one guarding him.

"With time running out, I left him unguarded. They slipped a pass in behind me to him. Lafayette tried his best to stop him, but he made the shot."

The result of the blown coverage was an overtime period...and then another. Cowley pulled the game out in that last overtime, 74-72.

"I couldn't blame anybody but myself," Potter said. "I really thought I had blown the game."

Brooklyn was next on the stepladder.

"That team from Brooklyn was something else," laughed Hawkins. "They played a really unorthodox system."

Unorthodox or not, Cowley bounced the New Yorkers 76-68, setting up a semifinal match with Howard, Tex.

According to Potter and Hawkins, there was no stopping the Cowley express.

The adrenaline and momentum that had been building up throughout the post season unleashed itself on Howard as Cowley steamrolled to a 103-76 win, still one of the most lopsided trouncings in tournament history. The national championship was finally at hand, and the Tigers could taste victory, for their opponent was...you guessed it...El Dorado.

"El Dorado had made the tournament as an at-large team," Potter said."They had a good team, and it was bittersweet to be facing them (for the championship)."

Cowley had a mark of 3-1 during the season against the Grizzlies to that point.

"We had done all right against them. We were confident we could beat them again. But, as we all know, its hard to beat a team four times in a season."

Officials were rough on Potter

Jack King co-captained the team along with Potter. King was known as a "speed merchant," for his style of play. King also played on the Cowley football team.



during the game, whistling him for traveling violations early and often.

"Ray was like a snake," commented Hawkins. "He could make the craziest moves, but those officials blew the whistle on him everytime he touched the ball."

With Potter nullified, a major part of the Cowley offense was lacking. El Dorado took advantage, building a lead throughout the second half that would prove to be insurmountable. The Grizzlies won going away, 88-62.

"We were pretty shocked at halftime," Hawkins said. "Mostly, it was just frustrating what El Dorado was doing to us. I guess we just kind of clutched up.

"El Dorado just got hot. They couldn't miss a shot it seemed."

Time mended the emotional wounds the Tigers suffered in that final game. Potter went on to Southwestern College after that year, where the greatest moment of his life occurred.

"We were playing a game in Kansas City when the P.A. announcer announced that my wife had given birth to a baby boy. Everyone stood up and cheered."

Lafayette Norwood went on to a coaching career, the lastest stop currently at Johnson County Community College in the same Kansas City that had rejected him years before.

Hawkins joined the Navy. During his 27 years of service, he commanded an A-7 air attack squadron, an A-4 air attack squadron, and captained the U.S.S. Milwaukee, a fast attack ship.

Dan Kahler stayed at Cowley for seven more years, building a 170-49 record before hanging up his clipboard and whistle. His .776 winning percentage remains to today as the best among Cowley coaches.

Thirty-eight years later, the memories still flow rich.

"At that time, we just worked really hard, extremely hard, and didn't realize really, what was happening to us," remarked Hawkins. "We were an intense bunch of guys...we had some darn good players."

"We ate, drank and breathed winning," Potter added. "That's all we knew, that's all we wanted to know. Losing wasn't in our vocabulary.

"At that point in our lives, we didn't care about anything else. That's the way it's supposed to be."

"We ate, drank and breathed winning. That's all we knew, that's all we wanted to know. Losing wasn't in our vocabulary."

- Ray Potter on team philosophy

A picture of the team, which finished as national runner-ups with a record of 29-5. FIRST ROW: (left to right) Joe Clark, Linwood Burns, Jack King, Gerald David, Ray Potter, Cecil Hawkins, Don Hunt, J.C. Louderback. SECOND ROW: (left to right) Bob Watson-manager, Seymour Seitchick, Jim Reed, Alfred Kloxin, Max Marsland, Reece Bohannon, Frank Scarth and Lafayette Norwood.



Expansion:

Old Faces Take New Places

When students returned to classes this fall, they were greeted by a few changes. Among these changes were some promotions in administration.

Maggie Picking, director of admissions, and assessment and career testing, was promoted to the Dean of Students, replacing Bob Paxton who was promoted to Dean of Instruction. A third promotion went to Charles White, former chairman of the Industrial Tech Department. He is now the Associate Dean of Vocational Education.

by Tina Phillips



Maggie P

Having worked for two years with the freshmen population of Cowley, Maggie Picking finds her new postion as Dean of Students refreshing.

"I really enjoy seeing sophmores as well as the incoming freshmen," Picking said.

This year, Picking played a major role in bringing SIGI PLUS, a career exploration program, to Cowley.

Presently Susan Rush, Director of Assessment, is heading up SIGI PLUS.



Dr. Bob Paxton

Expansion best describes goals of the college and of Dean of Instruction, Dr. Bob Paxton.

"A big change has come to Cowley in the last three years," Paxton said. "The college has grown a lot. We have expanded to include an outreach in Mulvane as well as building onto the Fourth Street Dorm and adding a new parking lot on the east side."

Recently, Paxton was promoted from Dean of Students to the Dean of Instruction.

"I was working a lot with students but now I am working with new educational prospects," he said.

The new dean of instruction and his staff are noticing a change in the students and their needs and are trying to respond to these in a positive manne

"The quality of students seems to be improving. More students are coming from surrounding communities," Paxton said.

"The teachers feel real good so far with the relationship with their students and are happy about what is happening in their classrooms," Paxton said.

"We have a good group of faculty here who have been here a long time. They care about their students."

As the saying goes, "When you are good, people know it!" Cowley offers so much people are flocking to become a part of it . Full classrooms are quickly becoming a part of a growing trend which seems to have no bounds.

"With the full classrooms, the administration is looking at various ways to alleviate the crowding. We have come to no clear decision as to whether we should remodel, rearrange class schedules, or add on new buildings," Paxton said. "From 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. every classroom available is being used. The board is committing itself to do something

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Picking

How does this program work? After making an appointment, students meet with Susan Rush in the assessment center. There they complete a computerized questionnaire dealing with such topics as "Fields you're interested in," "Educational requirements," and "Information about financial aid."

After students use SIGI, Rush sits down with them and talks about what they found out, and then an aptitude test is given to find out where their skill levels are. What skill levels are desired in a certain field, as well as where to get the training for those skills, are also presented.

Rush recommends the program. "Even when you have an idea of what you want to do, there is always that question in the back of your mind 'Am I making a good decision for myself?' " Rush said. "This is one more step you can take in this decision making process that will make you more comfortable about where you are going."

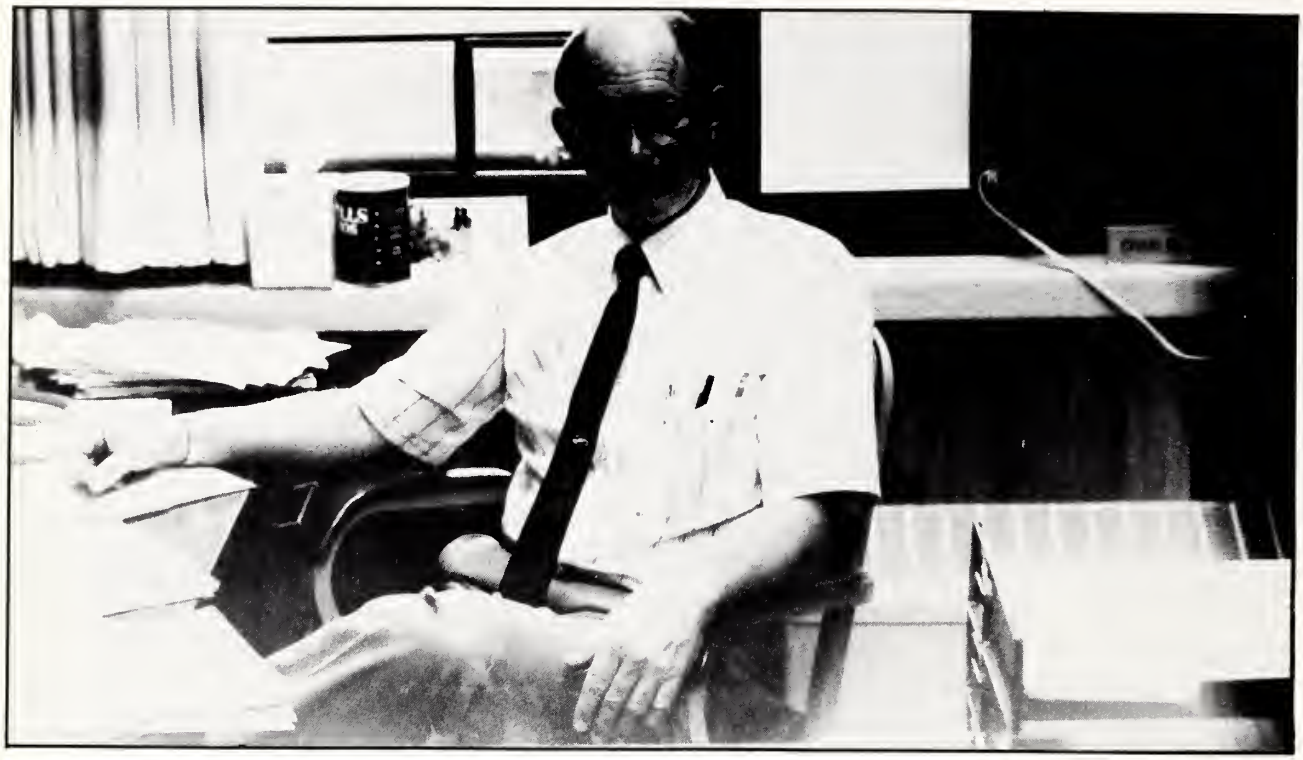
A typical school day will find Maggie Picking busy working with students who have special financial aid problems or dealing with a student housing problem.

Recently Picking helped put together the Honor Dorm program.

"Originally we planned to reserve the first floor of the Fourth Street Dorm for the honor students. However, there wasn't enough student response to fill a whole floor so they were moved over to the white house," Picking said. "Most are happy. There could have been more things in the house but within two weeks we had everything in there."

The secret of Picking's success seems to be her enjoyment of the students.

"I like the student contact-especially working in a one-on-one situation," Picking said.



Charlie White

As Industrial Department Chairman, White made budgets for the department and worked out class schedules. His new job involves developing new industry-related curriculum for Cowley students as well as those already in the work force.

The Power Plant Program was one such project developed in connection with the Federal Aviation Administration. White expects to have 80-plus graduates by May in the Power Plant Program. Other ideas are being contemplated for curriculum related to the needs of local industry including Rubbermaid and General Electric.

"We've had several companies inquire about courses which would help improve the skills of their workers," White said.

Courses in the develpmental stage are a hydro-pneumatics program being designed for Rubbermaid and "Industrial Maintenance Mechanics", designed for General Electric. Two others being considered are NDT which stands for Non Destructive Inspection and CNC, Computer Numerical Control.

Workers trained in "Industrial Maintenance Mechanics" would be taught how to break down an engine, rebuild an engine, correct electrical problem, or locate them for someone else to fix.

If approved by the state department, the course will be offered as a one and a half hour credit.

Another course in the making is "Introduction to Jet Engines" which is also being designed for General Electric. This class would be taught to workers at Strother Field.

"In the last three years, the college has made good contact with industry to meet their needs. The administration is in support of working with industry. They are taking the attitude 'Not maybe, but what can we do for you, how, and let's get it done,'" White said.

Along with curriculum changes, White said changes also have been made in the way he sees his job.

"One thing I noticed is that in an administrative position I don't have the gratification of immediately solving problems. I have so many projects I don't seem to finish them all. It is one continuous developmental cycle," White said.

White would also like to see changes in courses offered at night.

"I would like to see welding offered as a night course so individuals can receive a two-year degree like they do in Machine Shop," White said.

The main goals of the developing programs is helping those already in a trade. Through increased knowledge and a degree, individuals can be pushed up to a higher paying management position.

On the high school level, White hopes to see a program called "Two Plus Two" implemented. This program would allow junior and senior high school students to

take industry-related classes for college credit.

"We hope to give them an earlier start on their (vocational) careers and get them better prepared for their first year of college," White said.

The saying "The reward of hard work is a job well-done." seems to reflect in White's attitude towards his students

"A lot of former students still come to visit with me," White said.

"It certainly is rewarding to see a student catch on to a concept and then take it with them to the job force."

Paxton

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about the overcrowding during this school year."

When asked what makes Cowley special, Paxton replied,"The students are what keep me going in education. It is a real joy to see them successful in their lives. What is unique about Cowley is all the different age groups and those coming from many walks of life.

"We have a nice mixture of general education and vocational students. Non-traditional students are coming back. What I really like is the size of the college. It is small enough to allow us to get to know and work with the students personally," he said.

Relating education to the needs of the community is also a top priority.

"By maintaining our strong relationship with industry and business, we are able to serve them well," Paxton said.

"We are adding new vocational and general education programs to offer more of a variety to students."

Some of the vocational programs being worked on include Industrial Maintenance and Cooperative Industrial Training.

"We are working on a 'Two plus Two' engineering program in coordination with Southwestern. After two years at Cowley, students would transfer to Southwestern," Paxton said. "We are also considering expanding the science program. An honors program is also in the works for students interested in a unique, in-depth educational experience. Mr. Meisner is working on a leadership skills class while Stan Dyck and Sue Darby are working on an honors class combining U.S. History and English Literature. Another area we are looking into is a support group class for high school students lacking in reading skills. A lot of high school student come to us on a 10th grade reading level. I am working diligently on this program," Paxton said.

Cowley welcomes new instructors

By Melinda Scharff

Cowley has undergone many changes for this school year. Not only has the college personnel been preparing for a record enrollment, they have also been helping the new instructors and faculty find their way around. Six new instructors and a new admissions counselor were hired.

The new vocal music director is Yvette Cruse. Cruse is from Topeka and is a graduate of the University of Kansas where she receieved her BME. Before coming to Cowley, Cruse taught at Highland Park High School.

Beverly Grunder is the new accounting instructor. Grunder has an associate of arts degree from Pratt Community College and a bachelor of business administration from Southwestern College. She has earned 29 hours toward her master's of liberal arts from Southwestern College. Before coming to Cowley, Grunder was employed with the Unified School District #465 in Winfield.

The new Power Plant Mechanics Instructor is Larry Head. Head is a graduate of Wichita State University. Before coming to Cowley, Head was an airframe powerplant instructor at the Aviation Education Center in Wichita.

Cary Stamps has been hired as the new admissions counselor. Stamps has a bachelors degree in business administration from Southwestern College. Stamps attended Cowley for three years before going on to Southwestern. Stamps likes Cowley, and says he has met more students than he originally thought he would.

Dan Squires has been hired as a full-time industrial tech instructor. Squires graduated from the Vocational Welding Program at Cowley and has taught on a part time basis for Cowley since 1989.

Jean Tidwell has been hired as a new social science instructor. Tidwell graduated from Southwestern College with a B.A. in history and political science. Tidwell previously was a substitute teacher for USD #470 and Cowley.

Jolan Womacks has been hired as a study skills instructor. She will also be teaching two English classes and a college reading course. She has an associate of arts degree from Cowley and a B.A. in elementary education from Southwestern College. Before coming to Cowley, Womacks was a Job Placement Counselor for SRS in Winfield.

Mulvane Outreach Center: Changing into a Campus

With enrollment on the rise, the growth of the Center is necessary



The old Country Creamery will become the new student lounge area at the Mulvane Center.

By Melinda Scharff

By looking at the increased enrollment at Cowley, a person would think the campus would have to add more buildings. What most people do not realize is there are other places to take classes besides on campus. The Mulvane Outreach Center is an example of one of those places.

The Center started out with only four classrooms in 1988, but with the increased enrollment, the College is leasing a building across from the Center. With the building, the classrooms now total seven.

Even with the increase in the Center, Mulvane only has one full-time employee, Susan Sanders. Sanders was hired to teach part-time and has been promoted to supervise and coordinate the Center.

"I was hired when the Center opened in January 1988. It has grown quite a bit since then," Sanders said.

The first semester the Center was open, the college set a goal of having at least 250 credit hours at the Center; the actual number of credit hours taken was 800.

The most popular classes for the semester were computer classes, Sanders said. Three of the classes were closed with a waiting list.

"There are over 1,700 credit hours being taken now, with a lot of pre-nursing students," Sanders said.

There are 30 teachers at the Center, most of them teach somewhere else, also.

"Most of them have a master's degree," Sanders added.

According to Sanders, the instructors are laid back and not under a lot of pressure.

The class sizes range from 5-35.

"The classes will stay open with as few as five students, but the classes are closed at 35," Sanders said.

According to Sanders, the evening classes fill up with students quicker than the afternoon classes do.

"There is a mixture of traditional and non-traditional students in the classes. The non-traditonal are mostly in the evening classes," Sanders said.

A number of women are going back to school, with the average age at the Center 30-35 years old.

"Most of them are wanting a degree to get a better job," Sanders said.

The Center has been trying to meet the social needs of the students, as well as the academic needs.

"We have the Mulvane Center Activities Association, which is helped by SGA and Ed Hargrove. We have pizza parties and games," Sanders said.

The Center began moving into the building across the street a week before school started.

"We are posting room schedules of the changed classes, but enough of the students have been here before to know where to go," Sanders said.

According to Sanders there are a lot of students who return to the Center semester after semester.

Sanders believes that everyone is excited about the change in the buildings. She said she has not heard any complaints.

Even though the classes have been full enough to need a new building, most people do not realize that scholarships are available to go to the Center.

"Even if the student only wants to take classes at the Center, they can get a scholarship if they are full-time," Sanders said.

The town of Mulvane has not taken any complaints to Sanders, and she believes the businesses are supportive.

"I think they are glad we are here. It helps their business because it brings more people to town," Sanders said.

Some of the towns where the students are coming from include Wichita, Derby, Mulvane, Wellington, Winfield, and Udall.

Sanders enjoys Mulvane Center

Although the Mulvane Center does not get a lot of recognition, it is the largest outreach center for Cowley County Community College.

Susan Sanders, the only full-time personnel at the Center, was hired to supervise and coordinate the Center.

"When I was hired, I taught social science and home economics part-time," Sanders said.

Before coming to Mulvane, Sanders was a home economist at the University of Nebraska.

Sanders applied at Cowley, Arkansas City, to teach Personal Finance, when she was asked to teach at the Mulvane Center.

"I was asked by Conrad Jimison and Carol Hobaugh-Maudlin if I was interested in the job at Mulvane. I have been here since the Center opened in January, 1988," Sanders said.

Sanders is pleased with the way things have been going at the Center.

"I think it's a lot of fun. I really enjoy working here," Sanders said.



Susan Sanders

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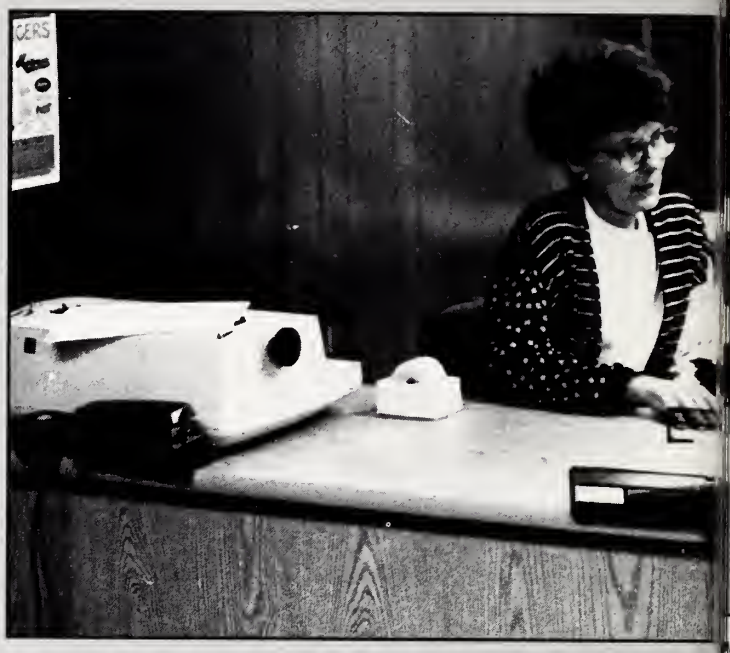
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advisors



Left, Peggy Paton, advisor, and right, Aim

What do you do?
Where do you go?
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The answer to these questions is simple. Ask your advisor.

At Cowley there are approximately 31 faculty members who are trained advisors that can answer any questions you may have about classes or Cowley in general and help you with any problems, including personal.

"The advisor is someone there to help students stay (at Cowley) more enjoyable, and to enroll them in the classes they need to graduate."

- Stan Dyck, advisor

This is the second year for the Cowley advisor program. The only change made from last year was to add sophmores to the program, because the staff felt that the sophmores also need an advisor to help them make their course decisions.

The duties of the advisor are unlimited, because there are always questions to be answered and work to be done.

"The advisor is someone there to help students stay (at Cowley) more enjoyable, and to enroll them in the classes they need to graduate," said Stan Dyck, instructor and advisor.

Forest Smith, registrar, believes that the advisor program is important to the students at Cowley, because the advisor is someone the students can identify with on campus.

"I think the advisor program is good for the student as long as the advisor takes the time to combine what the student wants with what he needs to graduate," said Terri Nighswonger, director of public relations. "I think the advisors here accomplish that."

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ubert, freshman, discuss financial aid.

students

Advisors were trained over the past year, by attending brief meetings and training sessions so that they are prepared for any questions a student may have.

Many students at Cowley feel that the advisor program is very helpful to them because they had someone to help them enroll. The guidance that is provided by the advisors is a key tool to making the time spent by students here at Cowley valuable.

The assigning of the advisor to the student can be time consuming and the advisors put in a lot of time and effort so that the students will have classes that relate to their field of study.

" I feel that the advisor program is very vital to the continued educational program at Cowley and is most helpful in leading students to their future," said Aimee Aubert, freshman.

"My advisor was very helpful, when it came to enrollment and it's good to know that if a problem ever arises I will have someone to go to," said John Wacker, freshman.

" I feel that the advisor program is very vital to the continued educational program at Cowley."

Aimee Aubert, Freshman

"I feel that my advisor, Mrs. Denny was very helpful when it came to enrolling me in the classes that I need to graduate," said Julie Priest, freshman.

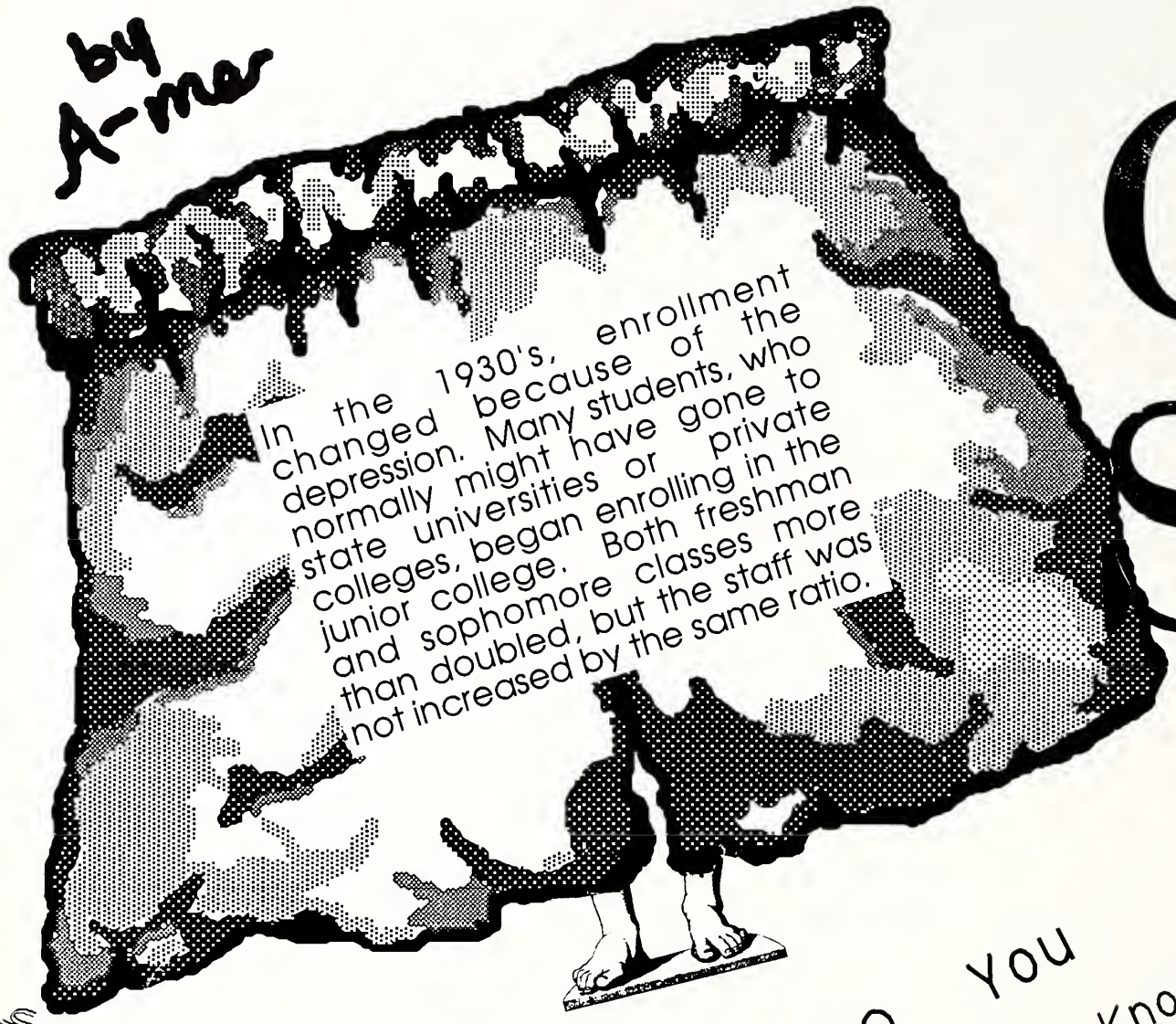
The main goal of the advisor program is to assist students in the enrollment process, help them with any questions they may have about adding and dropping classes, checking to see that classes are transferable, or someone to talk to.

by Tina Bodkins

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The official student publication, "The Cycle," had a name change in 1989 when it was changed to "The Press." In addition to "The Press," the journalism classes issue a two- to four page daily news bulletin called "The Tiger's Roar," which is similar to the "Pink Rag," a colorful news flip from the 1920s.

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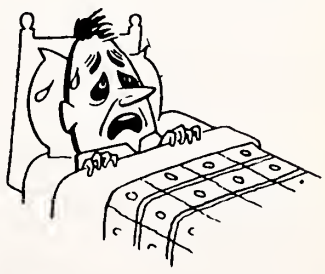
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it is difficult to portray simply the effects of the hard times on the community and student life, but one coed in an economics class during the 1930s express it quite succinctly when asked how conditions affected her family: ""It seemed we just about lived on tomatoes and oatmeal."



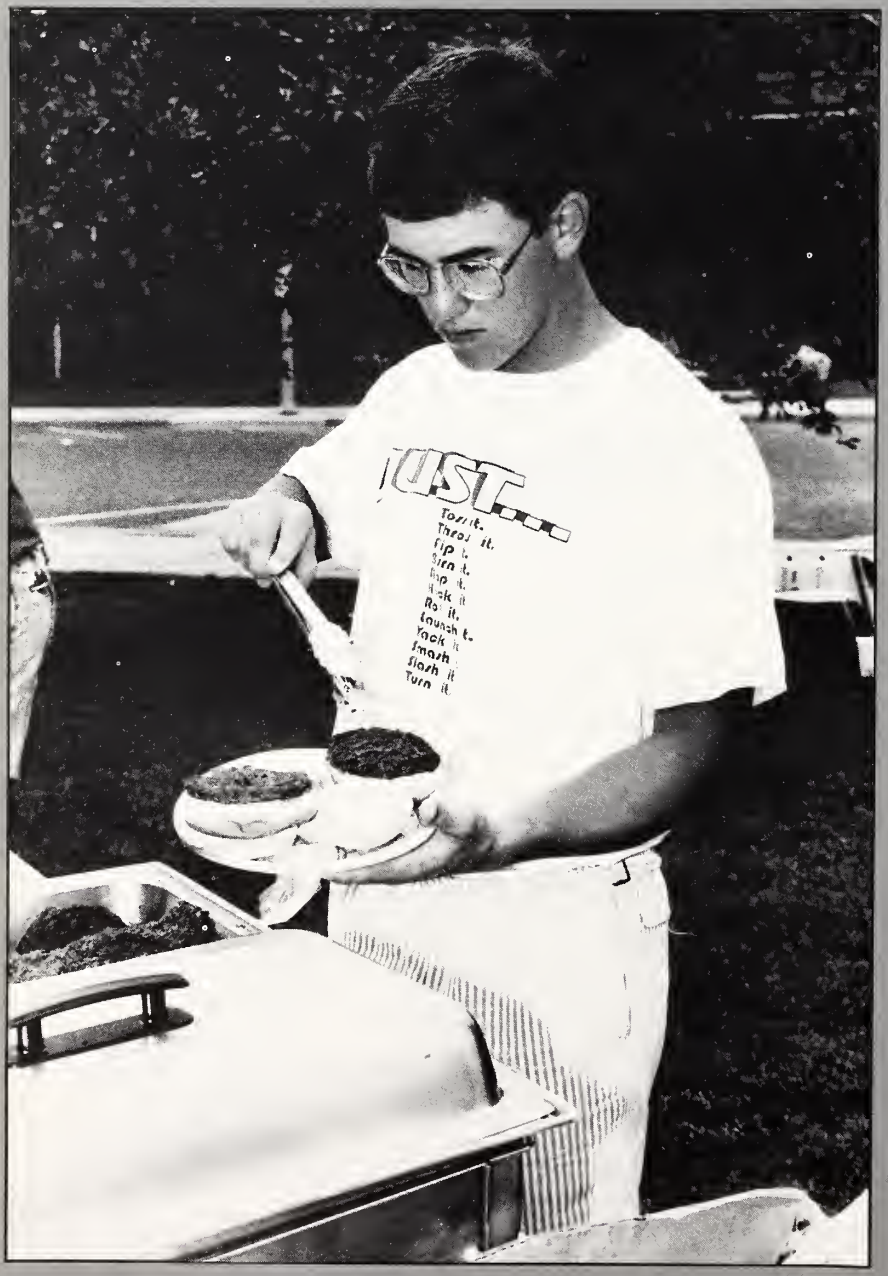
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ORIENTATION ACTIVITIES

Food







Cowley students enjoyed plenty of good food during two weeks of orientation activites.

Food,

and more Food...

photos by Jason Skinner





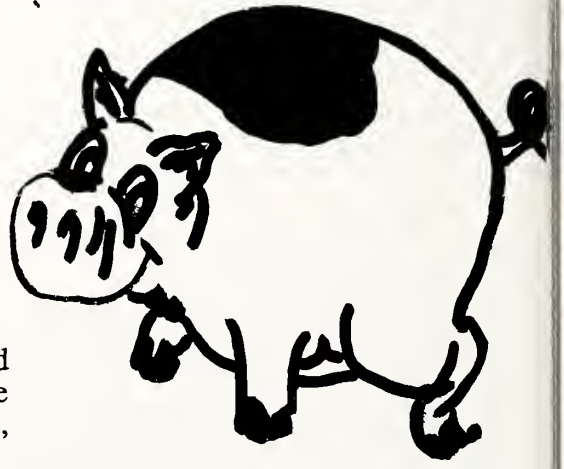
GOIN WHOLE HOG



Instructors and students pig out at the whole hog roast

with

Lyman Burnett



We've all seen the movies, a Greco/Roman setting, with torches burning brightly, giving the entire room an aura of mystic interlude. Dancing girls tumble about in a frenzy of excitement, and statesmen swagger around in drunken glee. And usually the center piece of the entire picture is a pig. Roasted a golden brown, and a plump apple stuffed into it's mouth as a final touch.

Though most of us have never had the experience of visiting a Greco/Roman orgy, students here at Cowley, for the last three years at least, have however had the pleasure of feasting on a dish the Greeks found very appetizing and which we today don't get to see very much. This meal is of course, whole roasted pig.

This rare meal is brought to Cowley as part of the beginning of school orientation festivities. But while we eat this rather large meal how many of us ask the question, "where did this pig come from and who undertook the job of preparing it?" Well the answer is Lyman Burnett.

Beginning three years ago Burnett began fixing the whole pig for Cowley as more of a favor to the school than for any personal gain.

"I really just feel like it's a service I enjoy doing for the college and the community." Burnett said. "Bob Paxton, Dean of Instruction, came to me because he had heard that I knew how the pig should be prepared and asked me if I could do it. It's just a favor I do for the college, sort of an act of friendship."

For Burnett, actually learning the process that is involved in roasting a whole pig was more of an accident than anything else.

"I was at Prairie View Christian Camp helping Max

Sneary, the camps manager, with some work that needed to be done around the camp. There was going to be a men's group coming out for a dinner and the idea of roasting a whole pig came up. Neither of us knew how it was done, but we had a pretty good idea. We thought, well, if other people can pull it off why couldn't we. In the beginning it was mostly just trial and error. A lot of the help in the beginning came from George Sibrant. He loaned us a pan to cook the pig in."

The actual job of preparing and cooking the pig is a lengthy one. For a 180-200 pound pig, about twelve hours is needed to roast. The oven, which is heated to around 275 to 300 degrees, must be large enough too hold the pig and to keep in the heat.

"Our first oven was a bunch of cinder blocks built into the shape of a square oven, however since we roast pigs more often now we've taken the same oven and made it a little more permanent," Burnett said.

Along with the twelve hours to roast the pig, three hours is needed to go and get the pig.

"I get most of my pigs from a company in Caldwell. There are only two places in this area that you can get pigs the way I need them, that is with the skin left on. The company in Caldwell and a company in Douglass are the two. They will usually kill the pig on a Monday if it's going to be used on the weekend. This gives the pig time too cool in the meat locker."

Another three hours is needed then to get the wood to build the fire. Burnett says he likes to use hardwoods, but he'll usually use whatever is available.

"I like to use large logs of hedge or birch, and usually I'll throw a few pieces of mesquite in when the pig is almost done, just so I can say I used mesquite. Hard wood burns longer and is better for cooking."

After the wood is collected and placed in the oven another two hours is needed to prepare the pig for cooking and for placing the pig into the oven. The pig's preparation consists of brushing it down with a cooking oil mixture and then adding the barbecue sauce. The pig is then placed into the oven.



Lyman Burnett relaxes in his home.

Burnett explains, "The oil that we put on the pig is usually because the people ask for it, they use it for their own reasons I guess. The sauce is our own mixture. I usually like to mix it pretty mild, but if people want it a little hotter, well I can mix that too. As far as putting the pig into the oven, we usually use a tractor, but if there isn't one around, it takes at least four people to put it into the cooker."

After the pig is finished roasting Burnett will then place lettuce around the pig to give it a little color, as well as olives in place of the eyes. The last step is to put the traditional apple into the pigs mouth.

"The lettuce and apple are just to break up the dull brown color. After the pig is finished cooking I'll usually let it set for six to seven hours. This is to let it cool off. After the pig comes out of the oven it's too hot to touch and definitely too hot to eat, " he said.

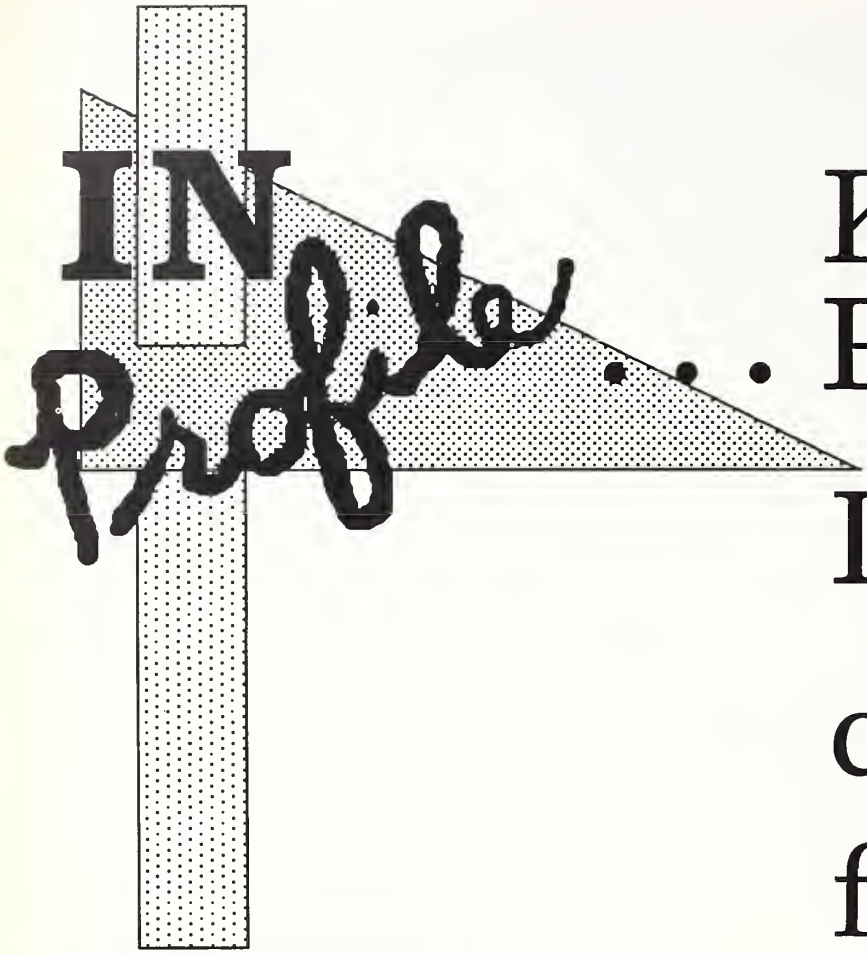
The pig is then taken to hungry Cowley students.

Burnett says he really doesn't think of cooking the pigs for people as a job, but more as a social event.

"Usually a lot of people will come around to see how we do it and to see the pig. It really is a lot of fun." Burnett said.

However Burnett does it, the pig always comes out great, and leftovers are usually scarce.

by Ted Kadau



Kevin Pennington

Instructor, co-worker, friend

by Yvonne Branine

"I wake up every morning looking forward to coming to school. I love my job," said Kevin Pennington, science instructor.

Pennington was Master Teacher last year and is currently teaching general physics, engineering physics, physical science, and astronomy.

Pennington is originally from Coffeyville, where he attended grade school through junior college. After finishing junior college he went on to Pittsburgh State University and earned his bachelor's and master's degrees.

After teaching four years at Northeastern Oklahoma A & M in Miami, Oklahoma, he returned to Pittsburgh State and attained an education specialist degree. At this point he came to Cowley and has taught here for four years.

A teaching career in physics was not always the direction which Pennington desired to follow.

His experience with having to teach lab classes, "to make ends meet in grad school," led him to teaching.

Pennington has a very positive attitude about every class he teaches and the people he works with. "I like all the classes I teach for different reasons, from the students who come into general physics where I can convince them science isn't so bad - to the students in engineering physics who are so prepared you can throw anything at them and they can do things most people have no conception even exist.

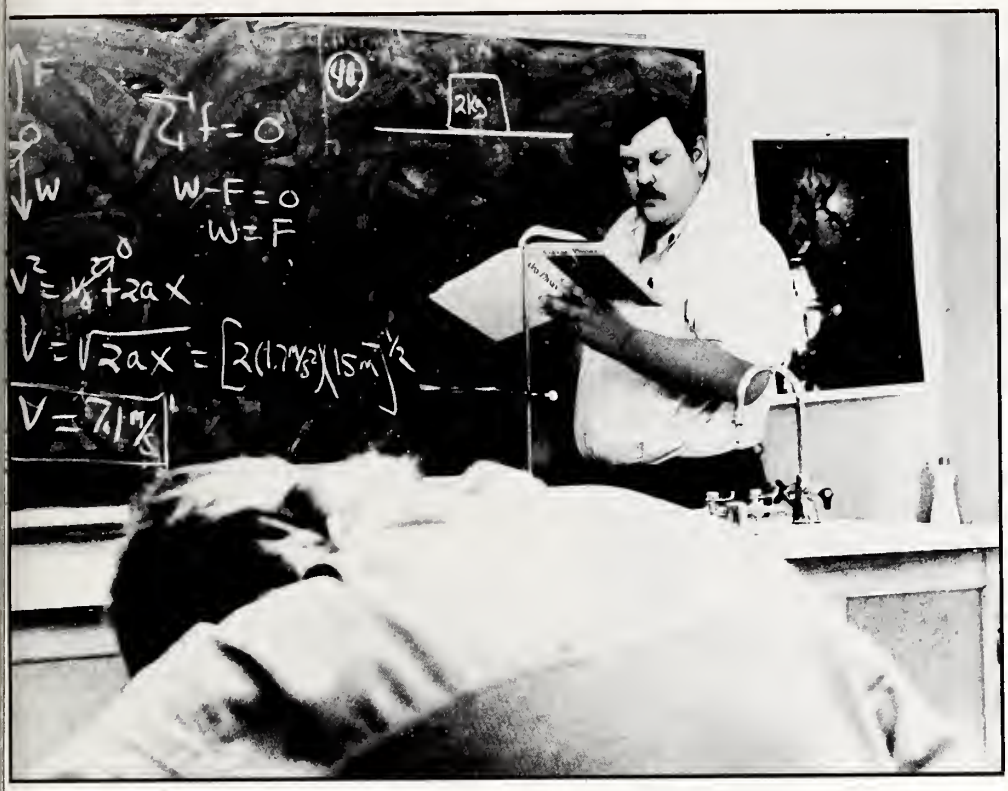
Among his many duties Pennington also teaches astronomy

"I want to show students the fun part of astronomy. We do lots of observing with one night lab a week if the weather is clear," Pennington said.

"I use the broad-based

"Mr. Pennington explains things very well, he will pound it into your head if he has to. I'm glad I've got him as a physics teacher."

David Brown, Sophomore



Kevin Pennington instructs his students on the finer points of engineering physics.

approach, covering the structure of atoms, comets and meteors, solar systems, Milky Way Galaxy and the universe as a whole."

When asked what his favorite thing about Cowley is Pennington said, "I enjoy working with and being with people. The people in my office are great and they all work together."

"In astronomy last spring, he came to school at 5:00 a.m. just to show me the morning star."

James Outhet, Sophomore

As much as Pennington likes Cowley, for the students and faculty here the feeling is mutual.

"Kevin is very positive. He has a good attitude, is very professional and is lots of fun to have around," said Phil Buechner, mathematics instructor.

"Mr. Pennington is very well rounded in his knowledge. He's close to his students and works with you until you understand all points. He's a wonderful teacher with a lot of school spirit. In astronomy last spring he came to school at 5:00 a.m. just to show me the morning star." said sophomore, James Outhet.

Another student, sophomore, David Brown, said, "Mr. Pennington explains things very well. He will pound it in your head if he has to. I'm glad I've got him as a physics teacher. When you ask him, 'How are you doing?,' he always says I'm perfect."

When Pennington has some free time he reveals, "I love to hunt ducks and fish." In the summer he spends some of his time at his family's home place east of Coffeyville mowing and doing any maintenance needed.

Whichever opinion you get the message is the same, we are lucky to have Pennington as a concerned and talented teacher, co-worker and friend.

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Mick Evans

With a shrimp on the barby and a racket in hand, Mick Evans serves up life at Cowley

"We don't live in huts!"

Mick Evans

Most of us dream of traveling around the world someday and seeing everything there is to see, but money doesn't always allow us that privilege.

For a student from another country, college usually helps in the decision to go.

For Michael (Mick) Evans, a tennis scholarship and the convincing powers of a friend led him to the United States and Cowley.

Originally from Sidney Australia, Evans moved to the States last year to join the Cowley tennis team.

Many poeple wonder about the lifstyles of Australians especially after the hit movie Crocodile Dundee.

"People actually came up to me and asked if I lived in a grass hut. I come from a town of half a million people; we don't live in huts," Evans said. In addition to the comments about living quarters, Evans commented that "many people have even asked what language we speak".

Of course English is the dominant language in Austrialia.

Before coming to the states, Tim Shanahan, a tennis companion from Australia, convinced Evans to join the team to help uphold their national championship. Since Mick's older brother had previously traveled all over the world, Evans coming to the U.S. was nothing out of the ordinary.

As it turned out, Evans part on the team proved to be that extra edge to shoot them over the top.

"Right now I'm second on the team, but that could change depending on who I play and how well I compete against them."

Academically, Evans commented that "school is much easier in the U.S. Academics are everything in Australia; tennis isn't."

"In order to get into college you have to take a test that determines if you qualify for college or not."

What about after college life?

Most students who come to the states return to their native country after their short stay here.

Not Evans, though. He spent his summer living and workng in Ponca City as a tennis instructor. Unfortunately, he didn't get to travel much and therefore his sights were set on the red soil of Oklahoma and hopes for future travel.

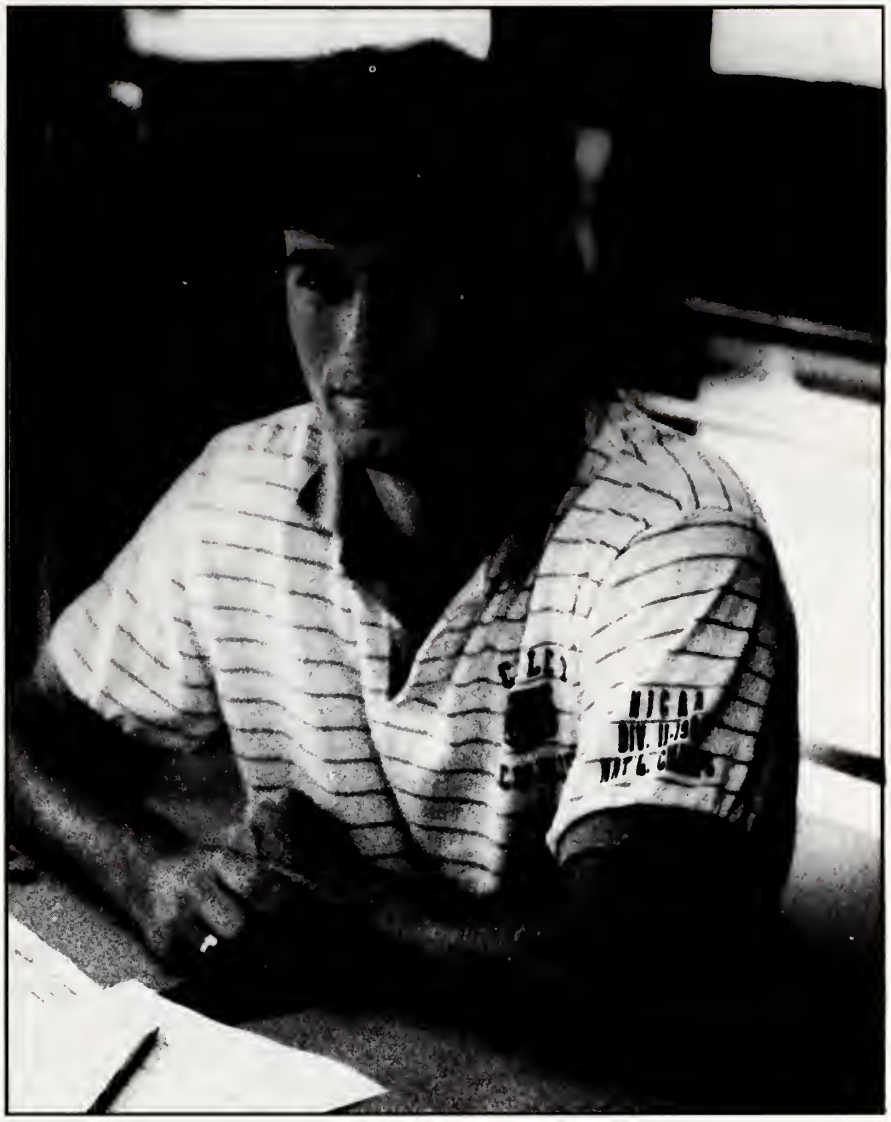
" people have even asked what language we speak"

Right now Evans is majoring in business administration but hopes that his future will hold traveling to other countries on a curcuit team which will allow him to continue playing tennis and see different areas of our world.

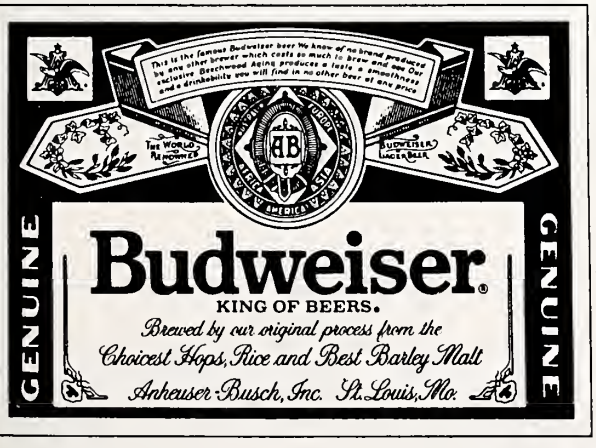
"I'm really not sure where I'll go after Cowley, but I would like to continue playing tennis whether it's at another college or another country," Evans said.

Whatever the future may bring for Evans, tennis and travel are sure to be a part of it.

by Aimee Aubert



Mick Evans, sophomore tennis player, takes it easy working for the cafeteria during lunch.



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Back On Track!

Cowley is shaping up the image of its student housing.

by Tina Phillips

While most of us spent our time soaking in the sun, Cowley's maintenance workers were busy sprucing up the image of our college. One of the major projects was Tiger Hall.

During the spring of 1990, after rooms became available, the residents of Tiger Hall were moved to the Nelson Dorm and the first floor of the Fourth Street Dorm. This stirred up emotions among several of the students who had come to think of Tiger Dorm as their home away from home.

"It was like being evicted out of your house - from freedom into prison. Over here (Tiger Hall) no one bugged us. We heard rumors a week before about being moved, but we weren't going to move just because of a rumor," said Joe Musgrove, sophmore. Even though it was a short distance, we had a lot of stuff to move. We were given two days to move but I waited until the last day."

During the summer the maintenance crew spent their time patching up holes, repainting rooms and the staircase, replacing ceiling tiles, installing new blinds, and shampooing the carpets of Tiger Hall. With the dorm once again set in order, it was ready to fill the need for more dorm space required to accommodate students in the fall.

Due to increasing enrollment, Cowley also had to put into use the white house across from Tiger Hall, now known as the Honor Dorm.

Residents for the Honor Dorm were selected via questionnaires sent out to Nelson and Fourth Street Dorm students during the spring semester.

"There were mixed emotions at first,"said Darnell Shanklin, director of housing. "There were several wanting out and several wanting in."

Honor Dorm students are unique in that there is no direct supervision of their activities.

"We show up every now and then but these students are responsible people. We don't have to look over their shoulders every minute," Shanklin said.

While there were a few problems with the Honor Dorm, the students seem fairly pleased with the overall arrangment.

"It's pretty cool with just the four of us living here," said sophmore James Outhet. "Maggie Picking has been really working hard to help us (get settled in)."

"It's nice - they have done quite a bit for us,"said William Luzier, another Honor Dorm resident.

Part of the attractiveness of the Honor Dorm is the "home away from home" spirit you feel when you walk in the door.

"It is nice having a house. It makes the transition from home to school that much easier. We also worry less about things being stolen," Outhet said.

Housing Director Darnell Shanklin attributes the success of the dorm program with being better aquainted with his job and the students.

"We have a year under our belts and know how to handle situations better. Overall, people are trying to abide by the rules," Shanklin said.

When asked about the future of Tiger Hall, Maggie Picking said, "We anticipate need of Tiger Hall for this semester and the next. Several plans are being looked at now for another dorm or an extension on existing dorms. It's too early to say what we will be doing. We are also discussing plans for more classroom space."

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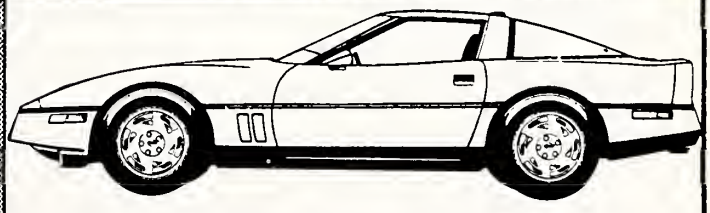
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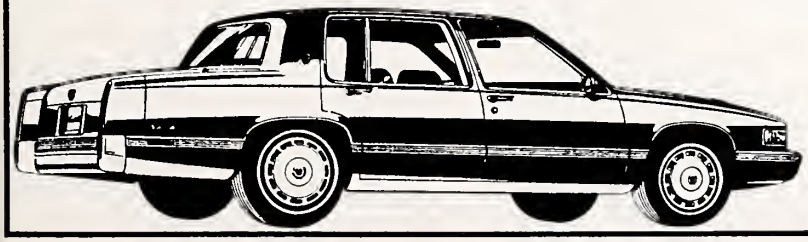
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Cowley tuition increase

by Ted Kadau

These days, when a candy bar costs sixty cents and a gallon of gas is a $1.40, the thought of spending mucho denero for a good college education doesn't send waves of pain through the body like it may have several years back.

However for students at Cowley, this year the final figure at the bottom of their tuition and book bill may have been a little more than they expected.

The tuition raise, be it ever so small, most likely came in the wake of what Kansas legislators call increased charged funds, and what most students, especially those not on scholarship, would call tuition hikes.

The hikes, which raise the cost of a credit hour from $21 to $25 for in-state students and $62 to $68 for out-of-state students, comes after a decision by Cowley's board of trustees to raise tuition to increase the amount of funds that come into the college.

According to Cowley Vice President Sid Regnier, the reasons for this decision is that due to tax freezes put on the college because of reappraisals, the college found itself in need of new ways to find funds. Cowley is a nonprofit, tax supported school and as such when tax dollars go down so does the colleges budget.

"...This money had to come from somewhere, and the tuition hike was needed."

Sid Regnier

"We used to receive revenue bonds on such college properties as the library and due to a bond issue in 1975 we used to receive money for the 5th street dorm," Regnier said. "A portion of this money was used to fund such things as activities, publications, dramas and activities done by Student Government Association. Some of these funds were also used for grants for out-of-county students, and for music and band. This money had to come from somewhere and the tuition hike was needed."

According to Regnier, the rates will go up from year to year. The projected cost of a credit hour for next year will most likely be around $27 to $29 for in-state students. And $69 to $70 for out-of-state students. These fees will then increase about two to three dollars every year after that. An awful lot of this is due to a general increase in the amount of students that are coming to Cowley.

"There has been a large increase in the number of students who are attending Cowley and it's branch schools Every year an increase of 18-20 percent is not uncommon," Regnier said. "Along with the increase in the number of students, is a three year plan for growth at Cowley. We need more classroom space, updated science labs, an expansion of the industrial arts area and there is a plan to extend the commons area. Also for a number of years we have been

HIKES!

ed, tax freeze to blame

trying to get out of Tiger Hall. We have plans to make some additions onto the dorms and to possibly build new ones."

For many years Cowley has been able to boast that it had the lowest tuition in the state of Kansas. Though this may no longer be true, the response to tuition hikes has been very minimal.

"The acceptance of the tuition hikes has been very good. Compared to many junior colleges, Cowley is still very economical. The only negative response that we have gotten is that many questioned us about incidentals, they don't feel that they should have to pay for things such as drama and a music department if they do not use such things. However, the response has been positive," Regnier said.

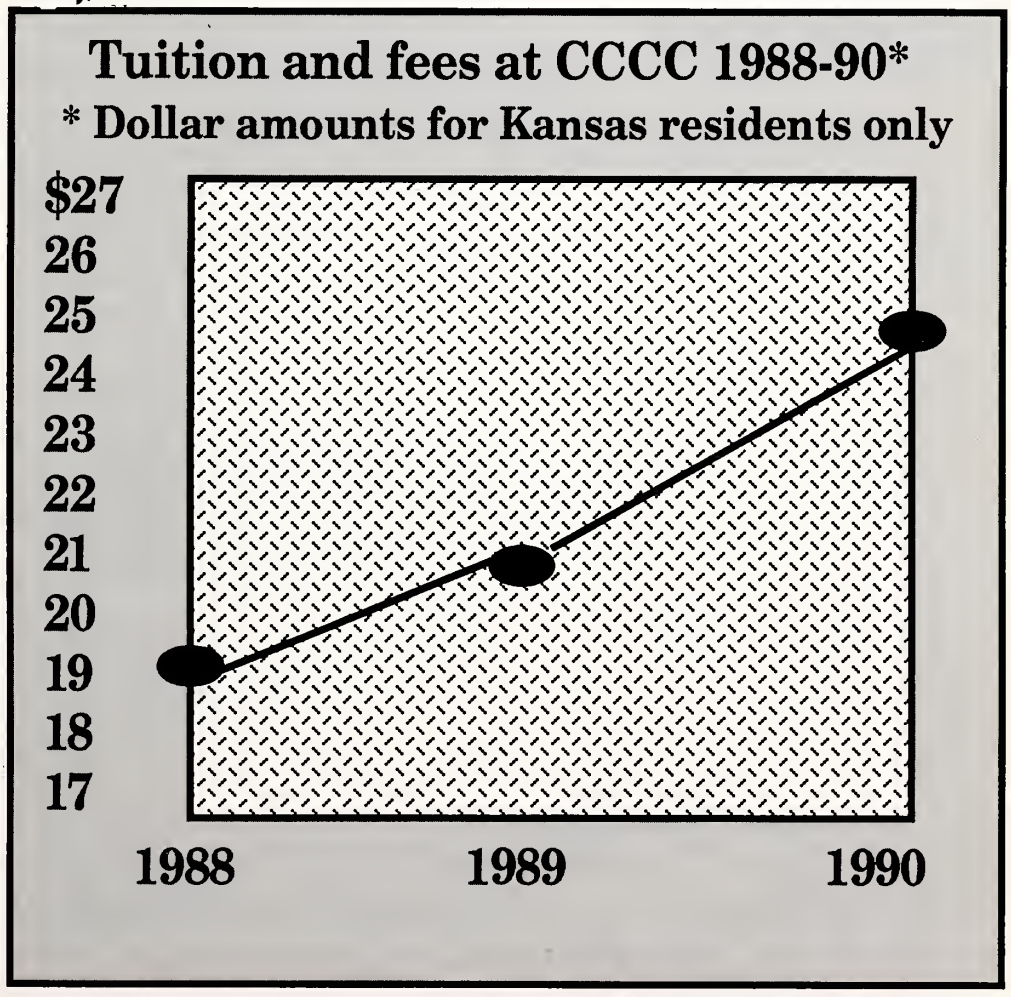
These words are reflected in a statement made by former board of trustees chairman, Dr. Charles Kerr. "The decision by the board to raise tuition at Cowley was a unanimous one. It follows in a move to raise tuition around the state. The general response had been good, I personally have not received any mail or phone calls stating any complaints."

The response from the student body was very minimal. Most had no idea that tuition had even been increased. Those that did still didn't think think the raises were much of a problem.

" I don't think that the raise in tuition will put much of a crunch on students at Cowley, because so many students are here on scholarship. I think it's good that the tuition is still very low, even if it's not still the lowest in the state, " said sophomore Pat Obley.

Some students on the other hand did not feel so positively about the tuition hikes. One student, who wishes to remain anonymous, said, "I feel like the state and local legislatures move to raise the tuition really stinks."

No matter what students at Cowley think about the raise of tuition, the problem of funds seems to be a very real one, and with tuition at state colleges also expected to be increased, it's a problem that can't be avoided. At the same time, a college education is a valuable thing. The hikes in tuition are reminder of just how valuable.



A good blend of talent and experience has the CCCC spikers...

Settin' Their Sights On Miami



by Pat Obley

Last year, Deb Nittler's Cowley volleyball team kicked off the season with a huge crop of promising freshman but a mere two sophomores, of which only one started. The result - very little hype and a very average season.

Ah, but what a difference a year can make...

"I feel really good about the season so far," Nittler said after Cowley opened the Jayhawk conference portion of the schedule Sept. 13 with a win over Kansas City and a tight loss to last year's league champ Fort Scott.

The reason for Nittler's confidence lays in the fact that eight sophomores have returned from last year's team, who, blended with six incoming freshmen, give the Lady Tigers a solid mix of leadership and talent.

"The sophomores are great leaders," Nittler said. "They're really doing great for me.

"Also, the freshmen are fitting in really well."

Returning from last year's 17-23 campaign are Susan Berry, Diane Bittle, Vicki Cornford, Cheri Heath, Amy Paton, Ann Smith, Charlotte Thies and Sylvia Wilkerson. Newcomers include Donna Biby, Amy Bonewell, Marti Nittler, Darlene Sanders, Jacinda Shaw and Elayne Taylor.

Cowley opened the season Sept. 7 at the 18-team Hutchinson tournament by beating Region VI powers Johnson County (15-8, 11-15, 15-3) and Fort Scott (15-8, 10-15, 15-13) enroute to a 5-4 record. Later that week, the spikers drilled Hesston 15-6, 15-7, 12-15 and 15-6. Those matches were followed by the league-opening split with Kansas City and Fort Scott in Fort Scott's Arnold Arena.

"We went into Fort Scott expecting a tough match and we got what we expected," Nittler said.

"We played (Kansas City) and weren't very worried because they were all freshmen," Nittler said. "Fort Scott starts four sophomores and that's one of the reasons they are picked to win the conference."

Sophomores are the prime considerations when looking at a team's strength, Nittler said.

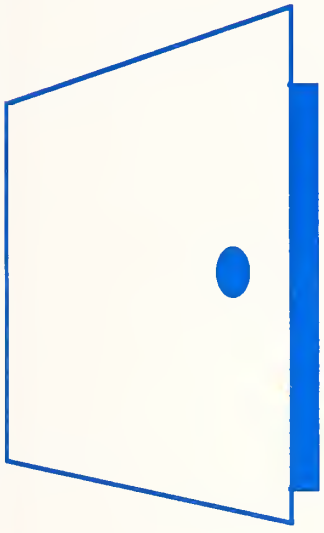
"Last year, we started five freshmen and one sophomore. That doesn't make for a good combination," said Nittler. "But this year, we haven't had to worry about (fielding an inexperienced team). Even in the matches that we've lost, we've played really well."

"...At a community college, it is up to the sophomores to generate the (team) atmosphere and the freshmen must follow it up."

- Deb Nittler
Volleyball coach

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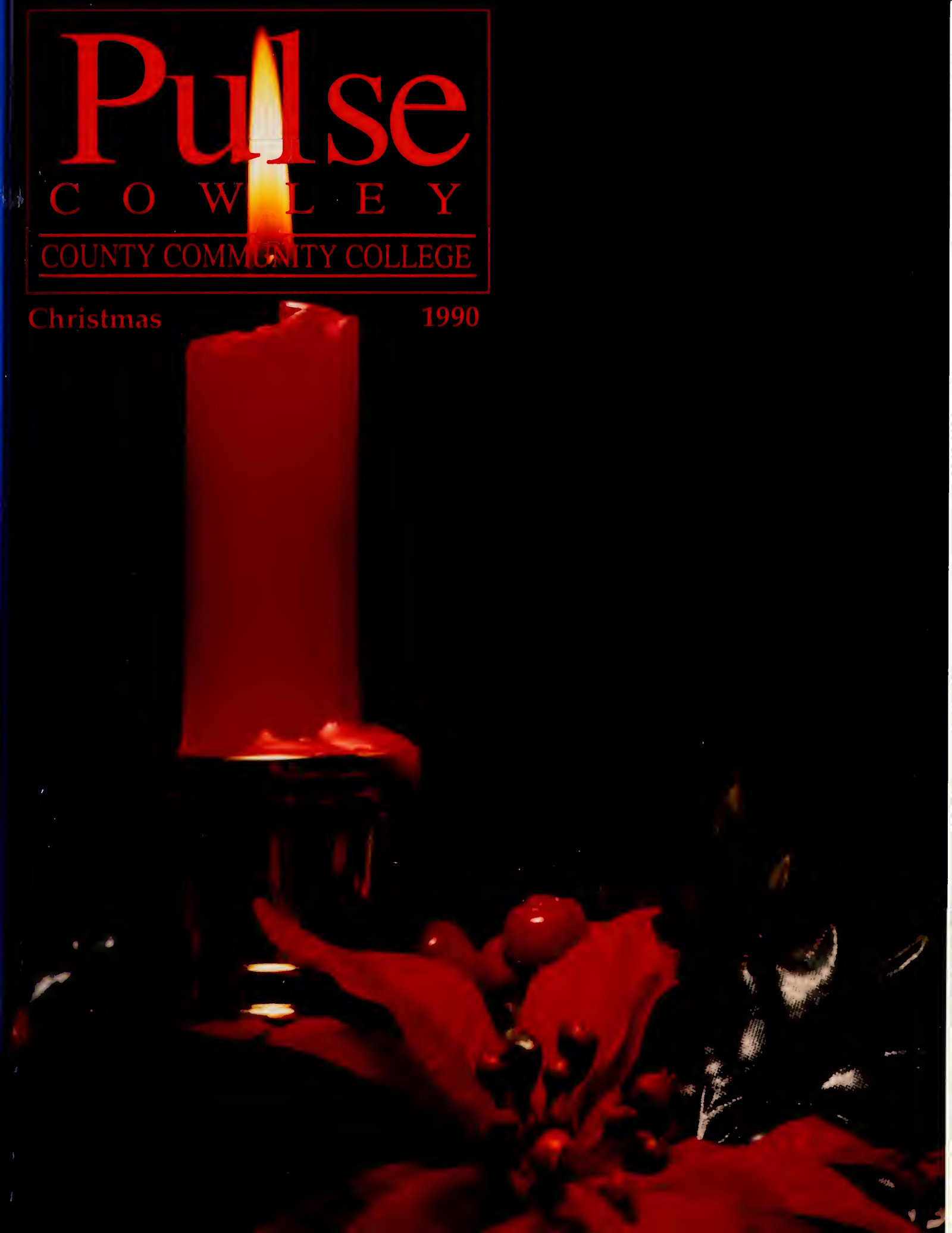
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From the Editor

With the end of the semester growing near, everyone is probably getting excited about the holidays. Many students are from out of state and are anxious to get home to their families. Other students are just ready to take a break from all the studying they have been doing. Whatever your reason for being ready to end the semester, we would like to wish you a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

As you have probably already noticed, this is the Christmas issue of the ***PULSE****. There are all types of Christmas stories, from the amusing to the sad, to be found in this issue. One such story is a ficticious Christmas story. The story is meant to teach all who hears it a lesson of Christmas. Another story is a story from around the world. Different students were interviewed for the story in hopes to see the differences of the ways holidays are celebrated.*

I hope everyone picked up their copy of the fall issue of the ***PULSE****. As I said before, the magazine is distributed as a memory keepsake. So, remember to pick up all four issues.*

As I said before, I hope everyone has a happy holiday, and remember, the spring semester is right around the corner, so don't miss out!

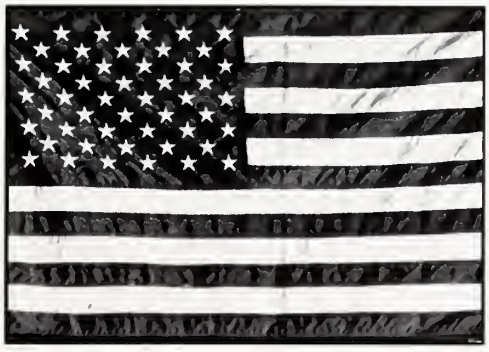
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On the Cover

A Merry Cowley Christmas

Winter 1990 is a time for everybody around the world to celebrate in the joys of the holidays. The theme, A Merry Cowley Christmas, is a way to show that Cowley is as involved in the holidays as anywhere else around the world. The cover shot was taken by former staff member, David Tobias.

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A Timeless Christmas lesson



For most of us the Christmas holiday stirs up great memories of the past, of time spent with our families, the beauty of a shimmering tree decorated by the entire family, and of the childhood anticipation of the arrival of jolly ol' St. Nick.

I have all these memories and more, but there is one particular memory that still stirs my soul and at times makes me miss someone I loved very much. It's this memory that I would like too share with you; a memory of both a man who cared about me very much and a story that tells a lesson we not only as a school, but also as a society, need very much to remember.

I guess I was probably six years old the first time my grandfather told me the story. He passed away when I was ten, so I guess I probably heard the story, as told by him, at least four times; it got a little better every time he told it.

I can remember he would gather all of us kids around the huge fireplace in the house he and my grandmother had lived in for 40 years. The fireplace was made of stone and a polished oak that you see in only the oldest homes today. To a child of six the fireplace was enormous. It was large enough to cook a whole pig with room enough left over to pop a little popcorn on the side, (we did).

My cousins, my sister and I would all gather in front of it with grandpa, all of his grandchildren there bathed in the warmth of the fire and his love. He would first gather us around him and proclaim how cold it was outside and how he'd probably have to shovel the front walk in the morning, depending on my grandmother's mood, and how he was feeling. Then he would toss a special paper envelope in the fire. When it burned, every color of the rainbow would shoot through the fire and give the oak paneled room a feel of life inside a kaliediscope. He would turn to us and proclaim that he had a story and that a lesson was to be learned from it.

His face, round with a slight curve to the cheeks, gave his mischievous personality away. In a voice that betrayed emotion he told us Christmas was not a time for exchanging gifts or for stringing popcorn or even for decorating the beautiful tree that we all sat not twenty feet from but it was a time for celebration and a time for rejoicing and a time to be thankful for the things we have. Because, he would add, it is the celebration of the birth of someone very, very special.

With this he would then tell the same story he told every year at this time. He knew other stories but I think this one was my favorite. Not the story actually, but the way he told it. He believed the meaning of the story and in this way he made me believe it.

I'm going to tell you that story. You might have heard it before, maybe in a different version. It is a story we all need to know - a story we all need to follow. Its lesson could just make this world a little better place.

And so we are off. The story goes that in a small town there lived an old couple. They were poor but happy, they had raised three lovely children who had now grown up and moved far away. Now the time of the Christmas season had come, as it always does, and the old man, who was kindly and not a few years along, could not decide what to present to his wife as a gift on Christmas morning. He was poor, true enough, but a gift was the

fashion, was it not, and a gift he would find. Well, he hunted high and low and could not find a thing he could afford. He had almost given up hope of ever finding a gift, or one he could afford on his meager funds at least, when he came upon a small shop in a rather poor part of town. Upon entering the shop he soon found a gift that caught his eye and, he hoped, would catch the eye of his beloved wife. The gift was that of a long lace ribbon. Blue as the salty sea and as delicately woven as any you would be likely too find. Well, he thought to himself, this is the gift I will bring too my beloved, no matter the price. This changed, however, when upon enquiring to the shop keeper to the price he found that it was much more than he could afford. Two pieces of gold too be exact. This troubled the old man very much ; and he left the shop with a heavy heart and still not a gift for his beloved wife.

We will leave the old man for now, he's unhappy but not doomed. Now we go too the old man's wife. She was a kindly old lady who had lived a long and happy life. She had alwaays given her husband and children a good home, even in the poorest of times. But now she, like her husband, found herself in a rather large predicament. She, like her husband, could not find a gift. This gift, however, was for him. She had spent the entire day looking and looking for that perfect gift, and like her husband, she had very little too spend. After much searching she finally came upon the conclusion that she would never find the right gift and went home. As she now sat mending the old mans stockings, an idea came too her. There is something, however, that I have forgotten to tell you about the old lady. You see she had very long, very beautiful hair. She spent much time combing it, washing it, and generally caring for it. It had, of course, gone a shade of grey, but it was still very shiney and extremely beautiful. It waslooking at her hair that her idea came too her. You see the old man had a pocket watch that he loved very much. Just as much as the old woman loved her hair. The watch had been given to him by his father, and his father before him and the olf man hoped too one day pass the watch on too his own son before his death. Now it was this watch and a glance at her own hair that gave the old woman an idea. And so without a hesitation, she took out a pair of her sewing scissors and began to cut her long, beautiful hair. After the job was done she began too carefully braid the lock of hair that she had cut. Before too long,she had a long and quite beautiful string of braided hair. This, she thought to herself, would make a fine chain in which her husband could hang his beloved pocket watch from. It was done, her gift was found.

By now, you may be able to see where this story is going; if you can, then your a little sharper now than I was when I was six. I had no idea where the story was headed and for that matter didn't want to know until it was completed. So read on.

The old man still stood on the street corner, wondering to himself how he could possibly afford the beautiful ribbon. Then, slowly an idea came to him and as it did his eyes fell on the watch of his father. He did indeed love it very much and would hate to part with it. But his love for his wife ran very deeply and for her he could and would part with possibly the most valuable thing that he owned. Well you can imagine that it did not take long before the old man found a shop owner very willing to buy the watch and at a nice price. So not twenty minutes after the old man had made his decision, he strolled down the

street with a sack in his hand containing his gift to is wife, a new blue ribbon, and a small cake for the two of them to eat on Christmas morning.

Upon returning home, it was very late on the eve of Christmas and as such his wife and already gone to bed. Seeing this he placed the ribbon under the meager yet beautiful tree and made his own way to bed.

The next morning the couple awoke to what was indeed a white Christmas, snow covered the ground and icicles hung from every structure. A fine Christmas morning it was, and so after dressing , the wife left her night cap on as too not give the present away. After wishing each other a very merry Christmas, the couple descended the stairs to exchange their very special gifts. You can imagine their surprise when they both opened their gifts to reveal that all had been for nothing. The watch chain the wife had woven for her husband was useless, as her husband had sold his watch in order too buy his wife a ribbon for her long and beautiful hair. The ribbon, in turn, was also of no use as the better portion of his wife's shiney grey hair now lay in the palms of his hands. This saddened the couple very much, but, not after to long they began to giggle softly to themselves and not long after that they began to not only giggle, but to also laugh. These laughs soon became hysterical howls. The couple had learned, the hard way I might add, what Christmas was all about.

This usually ended the story. My grandfather would then look at all of us children, smile, and quietly ask us if we understood what the old couple had learned. It is this lesson, and not so much the story itself that I would like to present to you. We live in a time where Christmas is not thought of so much as the time of Christ's birth, the time when families come together to enjoy the company of loved ones and to give thanks for life and the lives of other. It has on the other hand become the time of gifts, of seeing who can give the best and who can take the best. We spend thousands every year on presents, and I think we tend to forget what the spirit of Christmas is really all about. It is not about whether or not your going to get a new stereo for your car, it is about love, and all the warm and beautiful things that come with the spirit of the most joyous time of the year.

This is the lesson that it took the old couple such an adventure to learn. I would like to say they lived happily ever after, but I cannot. No one ever does. But they were happy, they had each other and they had love. And isn't that what we all need just a little bit more than we need a nintendo? My grandfather passed away a few years back. I miss him especially around Christmas, but I know how he loved me and that sets well. As does the lesson he taught me. To love Christmas not for the things we can see but for those things we cannot.

MERRY CHRISTMAS.

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Starting Over

With just one starter returning from last year, head men's basketball coach Ron Murphree faces the stiff challenge of rebuilding

by Pat Obley

At the beginning of last year's basketball season, head men's basketball coach Ron Murphree could boast a lineup dominated by experienced sophomores -- players who had had a year's worth of tutoring in the Murphree school of basketball.

The result saw the Tigers school their opposition to the tune of 22 wins, a second place finish in the Jayhawk Eastern Division and a berth to the Region VI playoffs in Salina.

But the problem with having a sophomore team is that no one would return for the following year. It is a typical situation at junior colleges across the country and Cowley is no different.

This year just one starter, 6-foot-7 forward Theo Stafford, returns from last season's 22-9 squad, leaving Murphree with a full load of inexperienced recruits that must learn to play Murphree-style basketball.

Fortunately, the newcomers come laden with talent, beginning with two transfer players -- Marlon Lane, a transfer from Three Rivers, Mo., junior college and Ron Johnson from Midland, Tex., junior college.

"Marlon Lane and Ron Johnson have the potential to be the best guard combination I've ever had," Murphree said."(Lane) is an outstanding athlete and a very good two guard," Murphree added. "(Johnson) is one of the best guards in the junior college ranks. He hits corners, penetrates, and dishes off very well."

When Murphree calls Johnson and Lane the best guard tandem he's seen, that means the Cowley fans will be in for a treat.

Last year's combo of Sean Thomas and Kent Murphree wasn't so shabby. Thomas, despite playing just the fall semester, dished out a Jayhawk conference leading 7.25 assists. Murphree meanwhile, set several school records averaging 23.4 points per game, mainly from beyond the three-point arc where he made 136 treys at a 44 percent clip to lead the conference.

When Thomas stepped out,

"It remains to be seen how this club competes, but in the end, I think we'll be all right."

- Ron Murphree

Roman Vega stepped in, providing ball control and assists. In one game last year, Vega totaled 15 assists to set a team season-high.

On the inside, the Tigers will boast a front line of 6-7, 6-6 and 6-5, led by Stafford, 10.4 points per game scorer a year ago. Junior Conerly, the 6-6 post man, and 6-5 Brad Norris hope to step in and pick up the 22.3 points and 9.1 rebounds left behind by Tony Windless.

"(Norris) could be one of our best shooters," said Murphree talking about his front-liners. "(Conerly) has the talent...he should be competitive."

Unfortunately, Murphree added about the team, "They have to learn the system."

Murphree's system consists of a matchup zone defense, a pattern which looks similar to the man-to-man. On offense, the Tigers perennially capitalize on a solid perimeter game. Once the perimeter is established, they start pounding the ball to the inside. Last year, Murphree and Windless carried that plan to perfection, accounting for their tremendous scoring output. Murphree labels this system, "the flex offense." Unfortunately, both systems are complex and take a long time to learn.

"It concerns me that we will have four new kids to mesh together on the court in a 30-game span," Murphree claimed. "But we want them to be good right away, and that's just not going to happen. It's going to take a while for them to blend together."

After beginning the season with an Oklahoma road swing Nov. 5, the Tigers returned home for a pair of Classics -- the Bengal Classic and the Thanksgiving Classic followed by the annual trek to the Jayhawk Shootout. The first half of the season will end with a home date with Northern Oklahoma Dec. 8.

In all, Murphree thought that the first semester competition would not be as strong as last year, when

the Tigers tangled with five top-30 teams, including national champion Connors State (Okla.).

"The level of competition is not as high as last year," Murphree remarked. "Last year we drew Garden City and Butler County (Region VI champion) in the Jayhawk Shootout. This year we got Colby and Pratt, which are not as competitive as the other two."

The conference portion of the Tiger schedule stacks up to be a lot stronger than last year, Murphree said.

"All the teams seem to me to be up from last year, including Independence."

Independence, last year's Eastern division champion, lost three starters, Darryl Johnson, Marcus Ziegler, and Ahmad Bashiruddin. Unfortunately, the Pirates retooled, adding a front line that stands 6-8, 6-8 and 7-0, while retaining 6-7 Eric Coates, who Murphree says might be the best player in the conference. All that adds up to a 12th place ranking in the national top-20 coaches poll.

The Tigers will open the season on the road at Indy, which would worry some coaches, but not Murphree.

"I like to play the tough teams first," Murphree remarked. "I think it will introduce the younger players to the conference and let them know what to expect."

Last year, Cowley began the year 1-2, but won nine straight afterwards, including a season sweep of the Pirates. A loss to Allen County in the final game of the year left the Tigers at 10-3. Independence's only conference losses were at the hands of the Tigers.

Murphree added that Fort Scott, Coffeyville and Neosho will all challenge the Tigers for the top four spots in the conference.

"Fort Scott is returning seven players and Neosho had their two top scorers returning, which is just the same position we were in last year. I think Neosho will be the darkhorse. Coffeyville is always competitive." Murphree added.

After Indy, the Tigers will begin a three-game homestand against doormats Johnson County and Kansas City followed by a Jan. 19 showdown with Fort Scott. After that, five of the Tiger's next seven games will be on the road, ending at Fort Scott on Feb. 13. A Feb. 23 contest at Coffeyville will wrap up the conference agenda.

The playoff structure will allow the top four teams from the Eastern conference to join the top three western teams and one independent at the Region VI playoffs in Salina. Murphree thought that the western reps would include Garden City, Barton County and Butler County.

"Garden recruited what the experts believe was the premier senior in the country last year in Darren Hancock," Murphree said. "They also have a guy named Frazier Johnson. Both of those guys have signed early with UNLV (University of Nevada-Las Vegas)."

Garden City and Barton are ranked as two of the top-10 teams in the country.

Whether Cowley will be in Salina next spring is a mystery to Murphree, but he mentioned that once the team grasps the system, success should come.

"I think we'll be good eventually," Murphree said. "But first we have to be able to execute on instinct, not thinking about it like we are now. The only way to get to that point is through the repetition of playing games.

"It remains to be seen how this club competes," Murphree added. "But in the end, I think we'll be all right."



Experience? Not a problem

Head women's basketball coach Rob Alexander and a host of returning sophomores promise to make 1990-91 a year to remember

by Pat Obley

Last year, the story could have been all to common -- a first year coach taking over a powerful program in a year of change, battling inconsistency and suffering a miserable year.

Fortunately, the story wasn't all that simple. Rob Alexander, in his first year at the helm of the Cowley County Lady Tiger's basketball team, did indeed have to battle mediocrity for the first half of last season. That was the result of a change in power that saw longtime head women's coach Linda Hargrove and her talented recruits leave the school in search of greener pastures.

Not much was expected of the new era anyway. The Hargrove era had *only* netted 12 Jayhawk Eastern division titles, four Region VI crowns and 300 wins in 17 years.

Despite finishing the 1989-90 season with a 12-20 mark overall, the worst in school history, Cowley still managed to reach the Region VI playoffs by virtue of their third place conference finish.

How? Instead of letting the nightmarish 3-12 first half start get to him and his team, Alexander piloted a second half surge that saw the Lady Tigers finish the conference portion of their schedule with a 7-7 mark, a surprising turnaround in basketball terms.

Now in his sophomore year, Alexander has had time to go out and get the recruits he needs in order to get the Lady Tigers back to the business of winning divisions and Region titles.

What's more, there were only two graduates from last year's team albeit one of them was guard Sabrena Whittler, who took her 20.0 points per game average with her.

That leaves seven returnees fired up and ready to improve, helping the 1990-91 edition look every bit as promising as those Hargrove teams of yore.

"Last year, it seemed like in every practice we had a new battle to fight in regards to learning the system."

- Rob Alexander

Last year, the problem of the preseason was that just two sophomores were returning, creating a very young and inexperienced team that had virtually everything to learn.

"Last year, it seemed like in every practice we had a new battle to fight in regards to learning the system." Alexander said. "This year (the seven returners' experience) puts us way ahead of where we were at this time last season."

Fighting through the conference schedule to make the playoffs, only to be ousted in the early going has provided the returning players with incentive.

"I think (the sophomores) know what they want," Alexander said. "They expect to win nine or ten games in the first semester. They expect to beat every team in the league at least once.

"Last year we didn't even talk about goals, but this year, our returners are setting goals over last year."

Leading the sophomore contingent will be Ann Marie Smith, a 5-foot-10 post play from Gary, Ind., and Deirdra Landers, a 6-0 New Orleans native.

Smith, who averaged 14.6 points and 7.5 rebounds a year ago, and Landers (9.3 and 8.8) should provide the Lady Tigers with a potent inside punch.

"Ann is a great scorer who has improved on all aspects of her game over last year," Alexander said. "I really think she has the potential to make us really good.

"Deirdra has added some weight and it's been a great asset. She's bigger and stronger, but hasn't lost any speed. I expect a lot out of her and I think she's going to deliver."

Also, returners Sharmie Hughes and Donyale Singleton are expected to make an immediate impact.

A talented pack of incoming recruits are also expected to add

teeth to the Lady Tiger attack. Alexander said that in his recruiting, he not only looked for good players -- he looked for solid athletes.

"I only recruit the point guard and post positions," Alexander commented. "I want players that are athletic enough that they are interchangeable at every position."

Tyrea Taylor, a 5-6 Oklahoma City freshman, has filled the point guard position and her style of play promises to help the team every bit as well as Whittler a year ago.

"She knows her role as a point guard and executes very well," Alexander stated. "We are much better at the point this year with her than we were with an athletic two guard (Whittler) playing the position last year."

Another impressing freshman early on was 5-9 Andale resident Mary Nilles. Alexander said that Nilles was "very sound fundamentally and has been the surprise of the preseason."

This year, Alexander has decided to go with the same uptempo play of offense, while opting for the matchup zone on defense. Together, the strategies require good athletes and exact a heavy toll by game's end.

"The big thing that I am striving for right now is hard play for 40 minutes," Alexander said on the teaching of his game plan. "You can't go out and not be intense and survive...most of (the players) have not had to do that every day before. That's the biggest thing for them to learn right now."

Alexander added, "Having experienced players takes the pressure off those freshman kids because they can follow in behind those sophomores."

"This team knows what they want and they know now to got for it."

- Rob Alexander

This year's postseason format will allow the top four teams from the Eastern division to advance to the Region VI playoffs, a change from last year when only the top three were allowed to advance. In the preseason polls, Cowley has been picked fourth behind Johnson County, Allen County and Coffeyville. Johnson and Allen, along with Cowley were last year's representatives.

Although Allen's leading scorer (Latonya Thomas) has left, Alexander said the Lady Red Devils will still be a force to be reckoned with.

"They went out and replaced her with two 6-foot-3 players, so I don't expect Allen to slack off at all," Alexander said.

"Johnson has always been tough and Coffeyville has returned a lot of players like us, so they'll be a lot stronger."

In order to be competitive in the conference though, the Lady Tigers will have to learn to win on the road, Alexander said. That is a task Cowley accomplished just once a year ago.

"Other than winning at (Independence), we struggled everywhere else," Alexander said.

Whether or not this year's team will be able to accomplish that though, Alexander won't come out and say.

"I don't know how good we're going to be," Alexander commented. "I gave up on making those predictions.

"I've seen a lot of teams that had several great players that weren't so good, and I've seen teams with average players become very successful, so I don't know how good we are.

"It all depends on the team's desire to win," Alexander continued. "This team knows what they want and they know now to go for it."

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CHEROKEE STRIP

a bit of Arkansas City History



by Tina Bodkins

One of America's most famous events in history occurred just right outside of the Arkansas City limits.

Even though it may seem like a long way off, the Cherokee Strip Museum is already making plans for its 100th Anniversary in 1993.

As a memorial to the land rush, a museum was organized by the Arkansas City Chapter of Jaycees. The museum was constructed over the actual location of the Cherokee Strip, which was intended to be on the Kansas-Oklahoma border, but because of an error by Rev. Isaac McCoy, General Joseph E. Johnson surveyed the border line incorrectly - 2.46 miles north of the actual Kansas-Oklahoma border.

What is now known as the border between the two states was to be the starting point of the land rush, with approximately 115,000 settlers participating in what is known as the largest land rush to take place in the history of the United States. The land six million acres of land that had previously been owned by the Cherokee Indian Tribe, the land was called the Cherokee Outlet .

"The Cherokee Indians used the outlet as a gateway to the Rocky Mountains, for hunting and fishing," said Liz Speck, Museum director.

For the settlers to participate in the Land Rush they were to register at one of the nine booths along the border. When registered a government certificate and a white flag or a flag resembling the U.S. flag was handed to the pioneer to stake their claim. Arkansas City became the "largest" with over 30,000 people registering.

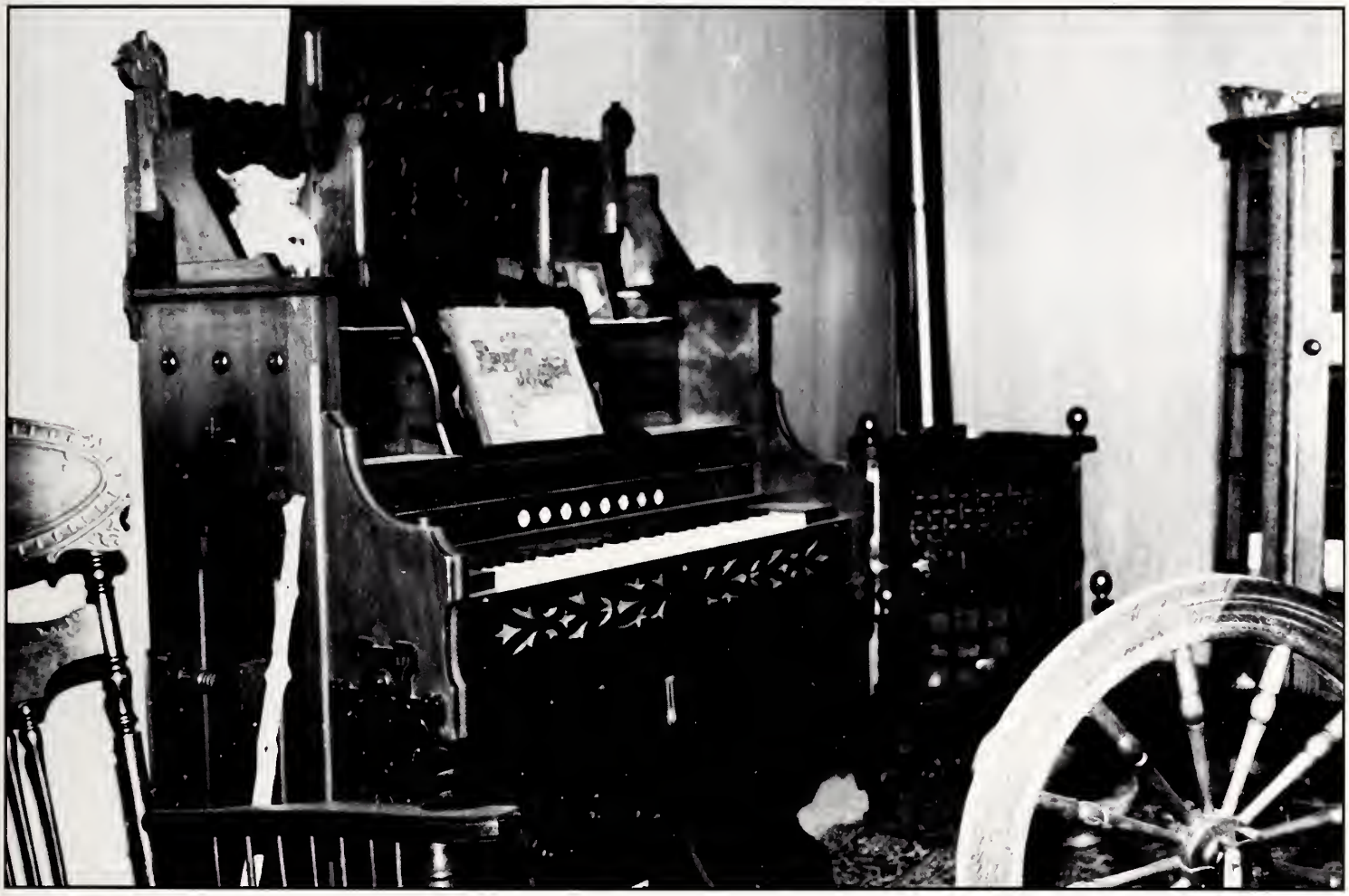
"The two years prior to the Run approximately 75,000 people gathered in Arkansas City and the surrounding area," Speck commented.

Men, women and children from every state in the union gathered at the starting point at noon on September 16, 1893, and when the gunshot was heard the race was on!

"The settlers were on wagon, buggies, horseback and even on foot," said Speck. "If anyone fell they were very lucky not to be trampled."

Six million acres of the Cherokee outlet had not been settled when the government purchased the land, so the land was sectioned off into seven counties. Each was then divided into 160 acre farms and

Left, the dedication memorial to the Cherokee Strip. Below, artifacts that can be viewed at the Cherokee Strip museum.



towns were plotted. When a settler chose a piece of land the flag they had obtained at the registration booth was to be placed in the ground as their claim stake. To keep the land the settler was expected to sleep on the land and a furrow plowed into the red, Oklahoma soil. When the claim was filed at one of the four government claim offices a $14.00 fee was to be paid, Speck said.

The Cherokee Strip Land Rush Museum is to mark one the most important historical events of our nations history. In 1966 the Jaycees established the museum as a non-profit organization. The museum was renovated from a bowling alley. And receives a grant from the government. Donations for the maintenance of the historical museum are also accepted.

"We are gearing up for the Anniversary in 1993, " Speck said The museum is planning many events as a celebration, possibly a reenactment of the land rush, and even remodeling of the museum.

Many historical artifacts can be found at the museum, including an original Cherokee Strip Run claim flag.

"At this time the flag is the only one displayed in Kansas, and possibly the United States," Speck said.

The Cherokee Strip Land Rush Museum is open six days a week and the staff welcomes the visitation of anyone who wishes to stop by and view the exhibits.

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In Profile...

Bruce Watson

"It's an honor to teach at Cowley."

by Yvonne Branine

"I am really excited about Cowley as my alma mater. It's a treat to teach here and share my experiences so that someone else can benefit from them. Asking the why of history and being able to answer these questions, makes us better people better citizens," said Bruce Watson, Cowley instructor and community leader.

Watson has taught two semesters at Cowley, teaching general psychology, developmental psychology and sociology.

As a sociology teacher, Watson introduces role playing to his students. For Monday night's class it was a memorable experience.

A student played the role of Mr. Smith, the indifferent parent of a troubled 16 yr. old girl. He was confronted with anger, frustration and even laughter from his fellow classmates.

"I am interested in the practical application of sociology in class. Role playing is good because we try to deal with real situations but in the classroom we can deal with them from a safe realm. Students become involved, feelings come out and values appear. We use textbook and more graphic terminology. We explore all the theories and you decide which one you want to go with. Some of the ladies in class became very upset but role playing is something they won't forget for a long time. They will come back to learn," Watson said.

Watson is particularly impressed with the growth of the college, especially the variety of students backgrounds and ages and the large area the students come from.

"There are many more non-traditional and non-athletic minorities than when I attended Cowley."

"My ambition is to be as involved with the college as I can. Teaching is my first love. I'm very happy with the way the college is going. As a teacher I can see the scope we have is great. Cowley is reaching out to everyone. Its direction is so positive. In my church alone there are more than fifty people who have attended Cowley and this really says something for the school," Watson said.

Watson is a native of Arkansas City, graduating from Arkansas City High School and Cowley. He comes from a large family of three boys and three girls who have all attended Cowley. Watson is married and has two children. He attends Church of God in Christ.

After graduating from Cowley Watson got his degree in social psychology from Southwestern College then went on to Wichita State University to get a degree in history and political science. While at Wichita State he was involved in the Cooperative Urban Teacher Program.



Bruce Watson , part time Cowley instructor, loves teaching.

Watson taught history and sociology for five years at Southeast High School Wichita. He moved to Austin, Texas and worked for the governor's office in the Department of Community Affairs where he ran the Comprehensive Employment Training Program for the state of Texas. While in Austin he also did graduate work in social psychology through the University of Texas.

Upon returning to Arkansas City, Watson became the field director for Cowley County Developmental Services at Strother Field in 1981 and still holds the position. His job is to procure contracts for the day program which includes work and services and general education for the retarded clients who work there.

"CCDS helps them make adjustments to real life and live as close to normal as possible with the least number of restrictions possible," Watson said.

Watson is active in the community as Equal Opportunity Officer, chairman of the Human Relations Council and vice chairman of the Planning Commission for Ark City.

"We are the ear to the city for all concerns of citizens," Watson said. One of the things he particularly enjoys is Affirmative Action helping people help themselves.

As a final thought and also description of himself, Watson confided, "I consider myself a forerunner to be a role model that can show minorities they can aspire to higher goals."

Watson's involvement serves as an example to spend a portion of our time and energy to education, community, our churches and our fellow citizens.

"I consider myself a forerunner to be a role model that can show minorities they can aspire to higher goals."

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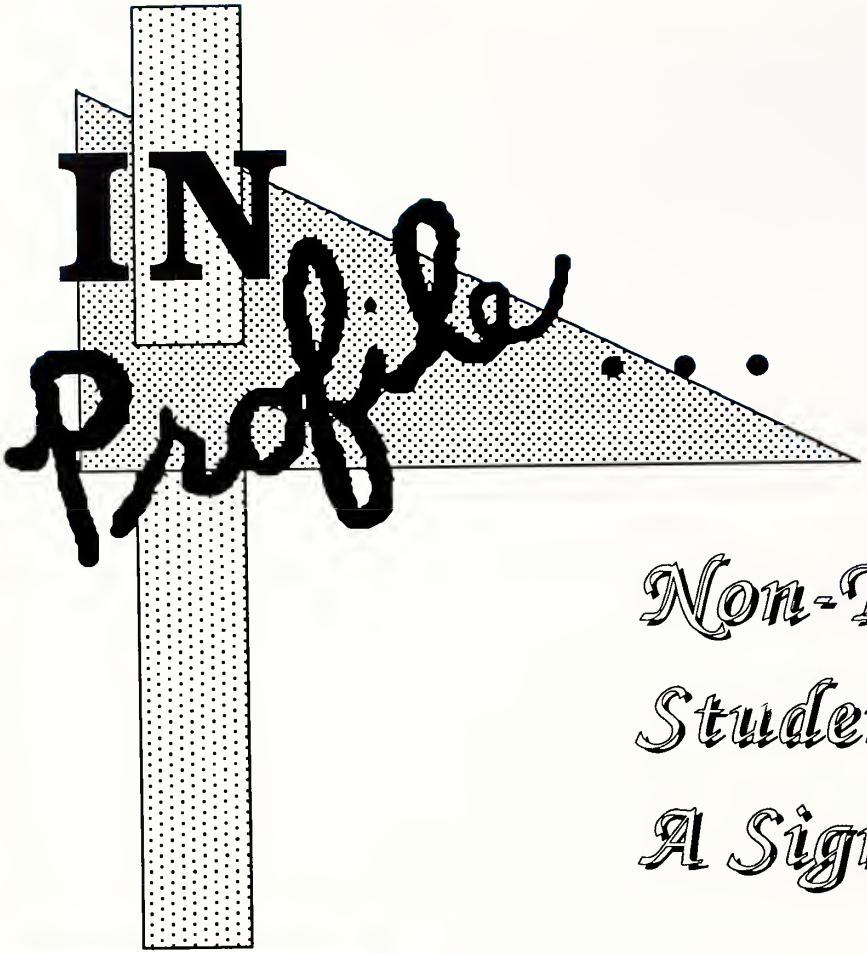
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Janet Dale

Non-Traditional Students: A Sign Of The Times

by Tina Phillips

Flexibility is a key factor in the world we live in today. Changing times have redefined many of the challenges students face. The faces of the "typical" college student have changed as well.

Today's non-traditional students are bringing with them a wealth of experiences and wisdom.

One such student is Janet Dale. Dale spent 23 years as a hairdresser until a back injury forced her to return to school.

"When I was a hairdresser, I used to travel to shows all over the United States. It was a big change getting used to staying in Ark City. I was working 12-14 hours daily, six days a week. It was real rewarding. I had great clientele," Dale said.

Dale, a seven year resident of Cedar Vale, is in her first year of college.

"I wanted to come to college fresh out of high school, but they didn't have the grants and loans they have now," Dale said. "My main reason for coming to school is to expand my horizons. I love knowledge."

Attending Cowley was difficult for Dale at first.

"Being a non-traditional student, I worried a lot about how I would get along with other students. Within the first two weeks they had forgotten there was an age difference. They were very accepting of me. Cowley is a real good melting pot. I learn so much from younger students. Having a class with various ages tends to erase the expectations and guidelines of age. Some sheltered ones have an image that adults are boring, 'stick-in-the-mud' types. I hope to change that image," Dale said.

Another aspect of Cowley that Dale enjoys is the easy-going faculty.

"The instructors are neat about encouraging us in everything we do," she said.

Commuting back and forth and working create a real challenge in finding study time. Dale often studies in her car on the way to school. Although moving to Ark City might seem logical, she prefers to stay in Cedar Vale.

"My daughter is in her last year of high school and I don't want to force her to make such a transition," Dale said.

At the beginning of the fall semester, Dale was working 40 hours a week at Recovery Way, a drug rehabilitation center, as well as taking care of her daughter, holding

down 12 credit hours of courses and fixing the hair of older people in their homes.

After about two and a half months, the strain became too much and she had to quit her job.

"It seemed like I had been working there for nine years instead of three months," Dale said. "Recovery Way is a place parents send 'borderline' kids. My last fifteen clients were there because no one knew what to do with them and they knew the government would pay for it. There was a high turnover rate because of the constant turmoil."

Dale started work at the center in hopes of helping a relative who had an alcohol problem.

"I learned that you can't help someone unless they want help in the first place," Dale said.

On the positive side, she said, "I believe God used me there to help others."

Dale has taught some classes as part of her varied experience. One was a parenting class on "Assertiveness Training" and another was a communications class designed to improve interaction skills among professionals and nonprofessionals alike.

Dale received a lot of postive feedback in the parenting class.

"A lady came up to me one day and told me I had really helped her by sharing a personal experience. I decided that if the pain I endured helped one person, it was worth it," Dale said.

With such a busy schedule, Dale still finds time for writing poems and stories.

"My love in life is writing. I've been doing it since I was old enough to hold a pencil in my hand," Dale said. "I would like to do it for a living."

Dale has used her different experiences in life as material for her stories and poems.

"It has been said that the two types of people most individuals tell their troubles to are bartenders and hairdressers. Being a hairdresser taught me a lot about people. I try to be perceptive. Everyone has an inner person they try to protect and hide," Dale said.

Even when life deals harsh blows, Dale maintains a positive outlook.

"I have no time to harbor bitterness. It takes twice as much energy to be negative as it does to be postive," she said.

Her strong faith in God has produced hope in hard times and in everyday living.

"I give credit for my good grades and sanity to God and a positive attitude," Dale said.

Dale is presently working on a book of poetry and a short science fiction story which she plans to submit to Omni Magazine.

"I hope to sell some of my stories soon," she said.

In the meantime, Dale is typing term papers for other students as well as helping her boyfriend with his stories.

"I collaborate on story lines, edit, and proofread his works for publication," she said.

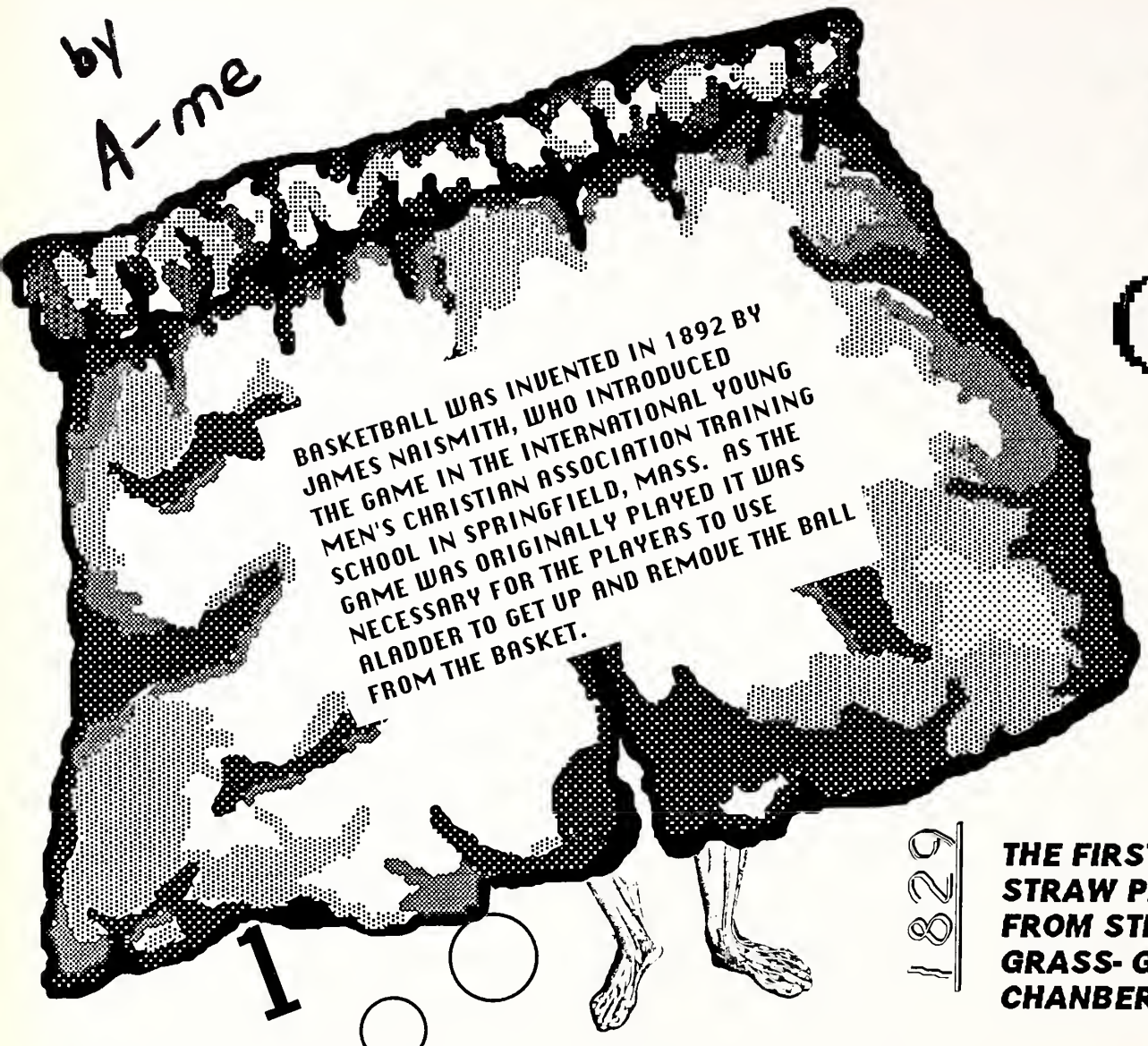
In our fast paced society, we often become frantic trying to fit everything into a 24 hour time frame. Despite her limitations, Dale has found the value of internal contentment.

"Our peace is so important in this day and age. With it we are healthier physically and mentally. Worriers age faster. Nothing is worth losing your peace over."



Back To School! Non-traditional student, Janet Dale relaxes while waiting for psychology class to start (photo by Robert Barnett).

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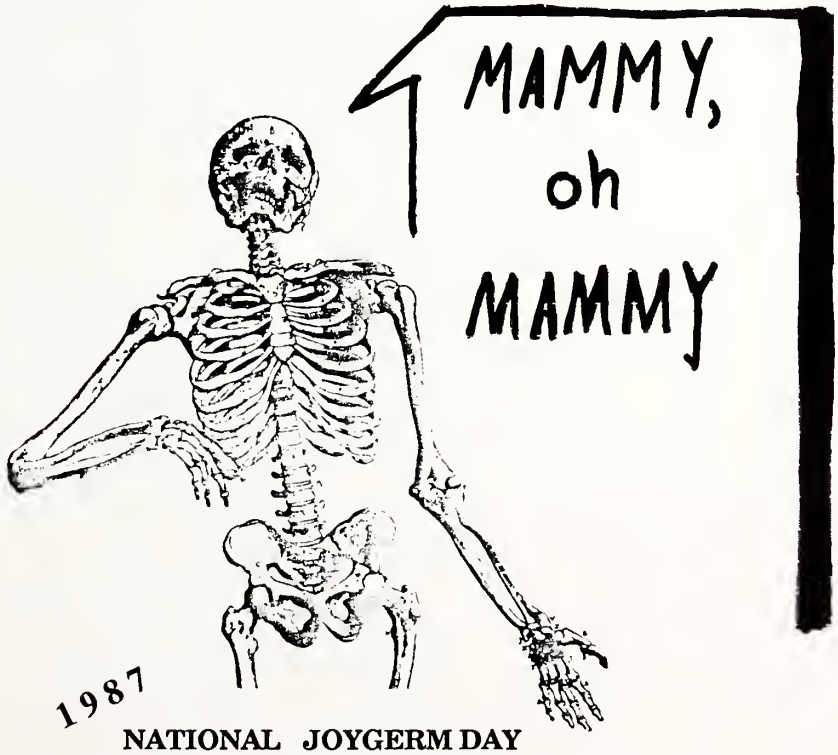
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Below, the Cowley Co Singers provided some of the musical entertainment at the Arkalalah festivities.

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Arkansas City Queen Marcy Smith is assisted by her escort.





A CRY FOR HELP ... KNOW

by Ted Kadau

Suicide - it's not a subject that most of us think about during the holiday season. For some, however, the thought of suicide is very real this time of the year.

The loss of a loved one or the expense of the season all seem to come to a head during the holidays.

Statistics cite, more people take their lives during the holiday season than during any other time of the year. The thought of being so depressed during this time of joy brings many to feel that if they can not be happy at Christmas, they can never be happy. This, combined with other factors, can push many to contemplate taking their own lives.

What is the profile of a suicidal person? There is no real "type" as most think. Though it is thought that people who live in rural areas are more likely to take their lives, anyone can commit suicide. It could be the person sitting next to you in class, the person you see at a party, or it could even be a close friend.

According to the Grief Education Institute, certain warning signs give clues to a suicidal person's intensions. Verbal threats such as "You'd be better off without me" or "I wish I were dead," should be taken seriously.

Changes in behavior such as withdrawing from friends and family and unusual risk taking are signs which may lead to suicide.

Signs of depression include changes in eating habits, anxiety, restlessness and loss of interest in activities.

Though you may think that you or someone you know would never think of suicide that may not always be true.

According to Cowley County Community College health nurse Vicki Ayers, the number of people who contemplate suicide at Cowley is astounding.

"It happens all the time. Kids come in and for reasons such as the loss of loved ones, poor grades in school and feelings that life is just not worth living any longer, they feel suicide is an alternative," Ayers said.

For many college students, the combined pressure of going to a new school, leaving the old school behind, plus making new friends and the pressure of doing well may be more than they can take.

According to the Grief Institute information, Gerald, a 19 year old was a straight A student in high school, however after his first semester in college he took his own life. The reason - he got his first B and was no longer at the top of his class.

Ayers explains, "Often the pressure to do well, or to make friends is too much for them. They often will turn to alcohol. This is no answer. Alcohol is a depressant and as such, will do nothing more than send them deeper into depression."

Another reason young people choose to commit suicide is because of the loss of a loved one - either through death or separation. They often feel that if the person is not there then there is no point in living.

"At the age that many college students are at right now, it's very hard to see the future. They often feel that if they don't do well in life right now they will never do well. They have a hard time seeing the future because they only see today," Ayers said. "They feel that if a person does not love them today, then no one will ever love them. These feelings seem to become worked out by the time a person is 21. It seems by that time they have lived enough to know that just because they lose a boyfriend or a close loved one it is not the end of the world."

There are solutions for people who are experiencing these feelings. Simply a caring person who will listen and has a genuine desire to help may be all a suicidal person needs to bring them around. Always take that person's feelings seriously, states the Institutes flier.

Places to find help for feelings of depression include the Health Services Center for one.

"If it's an event in a person's life that is what's wrong then we'll research it and see what can be done to help," Ayers said. "Sometimes all it takes is a hug and a smile, but other times I will refer them to the Arkansas City Mental Health Services. They help in ways that no one would ever dream of. If it's a medical problem, then I can help them contact a medical doctor to help take care of the problem. But 95 percent of the time it's something that I can take care of right here in the office."

A visit to the Health Center is confidential, Ayers said.

"The only time that I will tell anyone is if I feel the student's life

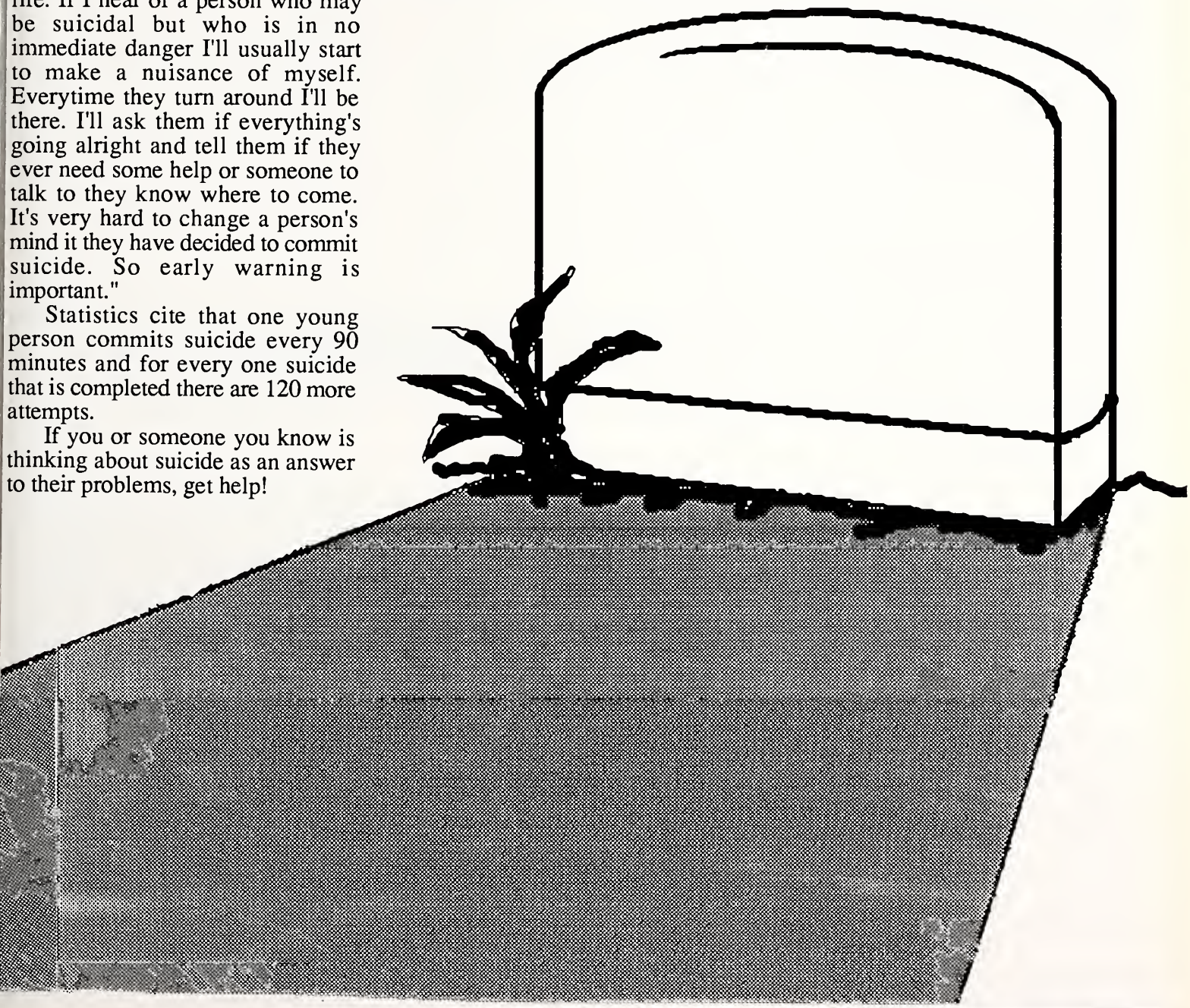
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is in immediate danger. If a person is walking around with a gun and tells me they are planning to kill themselves at 2:00 that afternoon I'll risk a lawsuit to save a person's life. If I hear of a person who may be suicidal but who is in no immediate danger I'll usually start to make a nuisance of myself. Everytime they turn around I'll be there. I'll ask them if everything's going alright and tell them if they ever need some help or someone to talk to they know where to come. It's very hard to change a person's mind it they have decided to commit suicide. So early warning is important."

Statistics cite that one young person commits suicide every 90 minutes and for every one suicide that is completed there are 120 more attempts.

If you or someone you know is thinking about suicide as an answer to their problems, get help!

Help can come through the Health Center, the Ark City Mental Health Services, a friend or instructor, or a special hotline number, 1-800-333-4444. The person on the other end of the line can give you suggestions on how to help yourself or someone you care about.





Cowley's Aviation Program Takes Off

by Tina Phillips

Up, up, and away! Cowley and General Electric Corporation have come up with a unique program with a unique program for meeting the needs for modern airlines.

Airlines are now requiring that their mechanics are more skilled to meet the needs of sophisticated aircraft.

The Power Plant Program, now in its second year of operation, is designed to teach students how a plane works and how to spot and fix problem areas.

Workers at the General Electric Corporation were partially responsible for the formation of the program. It was through their requests for specialized training that the Power Plant Program came to be. G.E. workers needed the program to upgrade their skills which could prepare them for promotions.

"Now we have men and women, mechanics, and non-mechanics enrolled," Larry Head, director of the Power Plant Program said. "Anyone passing the college entrance exam requirements can take the course."

Head teaches 2, 5-hour classes at General Electric. One shift comes in from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday for schooling and then goes to work at 4 p.m. and works until 9:30 p.m.

There is no getting out of class early for these students. The FFA requires that they remain in the classroom for a specified amount of hours every day.

"To keep students interested, we take them on field trips and show them the plant," Head said.

First year students study subjects like physics, blue prints, weight and balance, fuels and systems, ground operations and services, material processes, inspection fundamentals, ignition, trouble-shooting, (of all types), propellers, and jet engines.

"First year students learn the basics of aircraft familiarization," Head said.

However, second year students experience more of a hands-on type of education. These students work on actual jet engines in the hanger. One of the key objectives is learning to run aircraft proficiently. Their field trips consist of visits to aircraft manufacturers in Wichita.

"Each student learns to 'taxi' an aircraft. By the end of the two year program students have an entry level ability at any aviation employment agency in the nation," Head said.

After completion of the two-year program, graduates take a test given by the Federal Aviation Administration to receive a power plant license.

"In this world, anyone working in the area of aviation-airplanes, engines, etc. must have federal accredidation," Head said. "In the last 15 to 20 years there has been a real boom in the aviation world...these days you cannot get a job without a license."

Interest in the program grew in a short period of time.

"We are completely filled and many are still on a waiting list. There was very little advertisment. It was mostly passed by word of mouth," Head said.

Part of the program also deals with helping graduates find employment after completing the course.

"Before students finish, we place them in contact with employers. We also give them tips on writing up their resumes," Head said.

After completing the program, students receive an associate degree and can be transfer to Wichita State, Pittsburg, and Kansas Universities.

"Others schools don't have the joint cooperation with companies like we do," Head said.

Presently, Wichita and Salina are the only other cities in the state with schools which teach this cirriculum.

Organizers of the program hope to have the Airframe Program as well as the Power Plant Program by the 1991-92 school year.

"All aircraft employers now

want employees with both types of training," Head said. "Airlines really need people who can overhaul jet engines."

It is estimated that our nation's airlines will be needing between 50,000 to 75,000 new mechanics by the end of the year 2000.

"There are 167 schools across the country but they are not putting out enough graduates to meet the need," Head said.

Student response to the program has been positive.

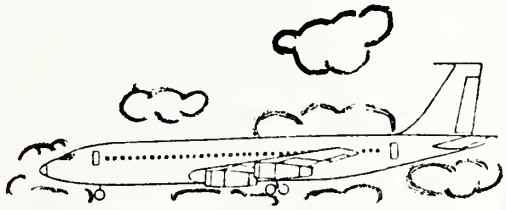
"We have had very few complaints. Overall, we hear nothing but praise for the program. The class was structured to put the students at ease. Part of the reason we have so much fun is because of the special activities the students are involved in. We know how difficult it can be, (to work and go to school). What we're trying to do is to get rid of the 'rough edges' to make the program enjoyable," Head said. "Those with previous experience in auto mechanics definitely have an advantage. There are many similarities between a car engine and a jet engine although a jet is a little more complex."

One real plus to the program is the close-knit relationship the students have among themselves and their teachers.

"We are a tighter community then doctors. We go by certain work ethics. This job calls for integrity and quality," Head said.

Head shows true excitement for the program.

"If you like what you're doing, you can do it all day long. The end result is worth it," he said.





CHECK IT OUT! Second year Power Plant Students experience hands-on training (Photo by Robert Burnett).

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Is American Patriotism *Un*patriotic?

For now, patriotic feelings reach a sensitive bureaucratic crossroad

There was a bunch of guys sitting around talking with Ted Koppel on *ABC's Nightline* one night last May. These people decided that Washington had ceased to be an important source of news under President Bush because all was now "tranquil" in the Republic.

In other words, there were no crises to report. Good news is referred to as no news in the journalism world.

The usual evidence was presented by these men: The cold war is over, capitalist democracy is everywhere triumphant, the economy is still booming, the recent trouble in Central America was winding down and the President's popularity is right up there with Bart Simpson and the Ninja Turtles. The guys couldn't have been more smug, superior -- or wrong.

The idea that America is floating serenely in a historic Sea of Tranquility is one version of the widespread theory that all the major conflicts and contradiction in society have been resolved, and that all the rich and powerful citizens have left to do is sit back and clip the coupons on a world entirely in their debt.

Commentator George Will holds that the lack of participation of Americans in political processes, such as voting, is actually a sign that ordinary people are enormously content with the status quo.

Ben Wattenberg of American Enterprise Institute sees American as the "unipower" that has vanquished all other contenders. Under a doctrine he calls "neo-manifest destinarianism," he would spread America's unique "culture" to the blighted corners of the globe via the aggressive marketing of movies and the franchising of U.S. university centers abroad.

Former presidential aide Pat Buchanan thinks that the next step is the annexation of several Canadian provinces (since the prairie provinces are apparently upset with their own national situation), after which the United States would be absolutely invincible.

My question is, where do these guys live? Twin Peaks?

The America they miss in their rounds of Georgetown taverns and Washington think tanks is racked with conflicts they never see. Standards of living and the quality of life have been declining for most

by Pat Obley

of the people for two decades. Public education is in shambles, health care is tragically inadequate, racism is rampant, corporate privilege is unrestrained, the environment is degraded, class division are widening, unemployment condemns tens of millions to poverty, violence at home and in the streets is on the rise, and the criminal justice system is criminal and unjust.

Far from being a victorious "unipower," America is losing the economic war for markets to both the European countries and the newly liberated eastern bloc nations and Japan. Also, America is losing its resources and financial dominance to these same competitors. Some critics would contend that profound cynicism, not blissful contentment, accounts for the dropout of voter participation. The most recent elections Nov. 6 notwithstanding.

Many people would say that the illusion of tranquility the think-tankers say exists, was created by a do-nothing Administration and supported by the utter abdication of leadership by the Democratic opposition.

The news media follows the agenda, or lack thereof, set by the politicians, who some say can't see a crisis until it explodes in their faces, the Persian Gulf crisis being and example. Such dramas are rare, especially in a society so thoroughly bathed in that "unique culture" Wattenberg wants to export to countries where politics is still dominated by the streets.

For now, the nation is serene, a situation developed by the Persian Gulf crisis. A swift current of patriotism has washed over the masses temporarily taking minds off the country's internal problems. A poll conducted by *Maclean's* magazine in June showed that 45 percent of Americans is more concerned with the drug and crime issues, and another 21 percent of the polled were "extremely worried" by the federal budget and trade deficit than by any foreign issue -- a strong majority. The Gulf crisis came at the right time, relieving Americans of their not-so strong feelings of dissatisfaction.

When the Gulf conflict is resolved, people might see that everything is not so serene, and those nightly news programs had better be lining up some *new* "experts" to explain what went wrong.

Christmas around the World



by Tina Bodkins
and Yvonne Branine

Christmas is Christmas everywhere. Even in countries that are outside of most American's knowledge, families still come together to celebrate the holidays. The language may be different but the celebration is universal.

Although Cowley is considered a "community college," its "community" stretches far beyond the county borders to include a number of students and one faculty member from various countries.

"My idea of Christmas is to stay with the family," said Godwin Madzima, sophomore from Harare, Zimbabwe.

In Zimbabwe, at Christmas time it is summer. Even though it is hot, Santa still dresses in the traditional red fur and boots and the Christmas cards still depict snow scenes, Madzima said.

"The people in Zimbabwe don't understand why there are winter scenes on the cards because of their weather at Christmas," Madzima said.

Madzima has spent one Christmas in America.

"At home, Christmas is not as commercial and more symbolic. Commercialism takes away from the importance of the event." he said. "Also, we would only buy (presents) for the immediate family. I don't know many people here and I got lots of presents. It was nice, but I was a little surprised," Madzima said.

As in America, people in Zimbabwe enjoy Christmas trees, Santa Claus for the children, outdoor Christmas lights, gifts and the traditional turkey dinner.

Madzima has one particularly memorable Christmas. He and his friends had gone to a large lake just before Christmas Day and had planned to be home with their families for Christmas. While boating, their canoe capsized and their Christmas was spent in the bush of Zimbabwe.

Jordan Cornelius is from London, England and has spent one Christmas here.

A typical Christmas at the Cornelius home would start with Christmas eve midnight mass then back home.

"Everyone sleeps late on Christmas day - nobody gets up early," Cornelius said.

About 3 p.m. a big Christmas dinner is served with turkey or roast beef as the main course. The Queen speaks every Christmas Day at 3 p.m. for approximately a half an hour about the coming new year.

"The big emphasis on Christmas Day is the queens speech. You eat dinner and listen to the Queen speak at the same time," Cornelius said.

After eating and listening to the speech there is a gift exchange with the immediate family.

In England, however, Santa Claus is not nearly so prominate as in America.

"Santa is no big deal in



England. He's very low key and only the very small children believe in him. You see Santa in the department stores only," he said.

American commercialism of Christmas has left an impression on Cornelius.

"It's ridiculous over here. People make a lot of their gifts for each other in England and then for only close family."

An English tradition of Christmas Day is called Christmas Crackers. These are shaped something like a large firecracker and wrapped in glitter paper. They are passed around the dinner table while two people pull on opposite ends of the cracker until one pops it. This person keeps the gift and jokes inside while both people who were pulling on the cracker get party hats.

The day after Christmas is called Boxing Day. It is just as important to the English as Christmas Day. Soccer teams play on this day which is declared a national holiday.

Seven days after Christmas, the last day of the holiday season is called Little Christmas Day. Families exchange small gifts again on this day.

"It always rains on Christmas Day and is usually mild - around 60 degrees. I've only seen it snow once in my life in England," Cornelius said.

Salem Chaaban, math instructor at Cowley, is from Majed el Kurum, Palestine.

Although Salem is Moslem, he has many Christian friends and has respect for their religious beliefs, as they do for his.

"Since Christmas is a holy day for Christians we treat it as such also," Chaaban said. "On Christmas eve it is very busy for the Christians so, of course, that affects us. We would like to go out and look at the Christmas lights too. We usually invite some of our Christian friends over to eat and spend the night and they invite my family to their homes also."

Christians in Palestine celebrate Christmas like Americans do. Most Christians in Palestine are Greek Orthodox Catholic."

Santa is called Pape Noel in Palestine and is used in the celebration of Christmas as in America.

"I remember in Beirut every year Santa would parachute into one of the sports arenas in Sports City where all sporting events are held and pick out four or five children from the audience. These few children win a trip to France.

Living in Arkansas City, Chaaban and his family celebrate Christmas like everyone else.

"You know, when in Rome do as the Romans do."

Mike El-Sarraf, also from the Gaza-Strip in Palestine, said his memories include his dad playing Santa Claus every year and a Christmas Eve midnight service of prayer and singing. The service takes place outside of the church around the tree that is to represent the Bethlehem tree.

Christmas is celebrated on Jan. 7 and each family has its own traditional dinner.

El-Sarraf has played Santa for Palestine distributing gifts to Christian families in the area. One of his Christmas memories is when he played Santa in the rain.

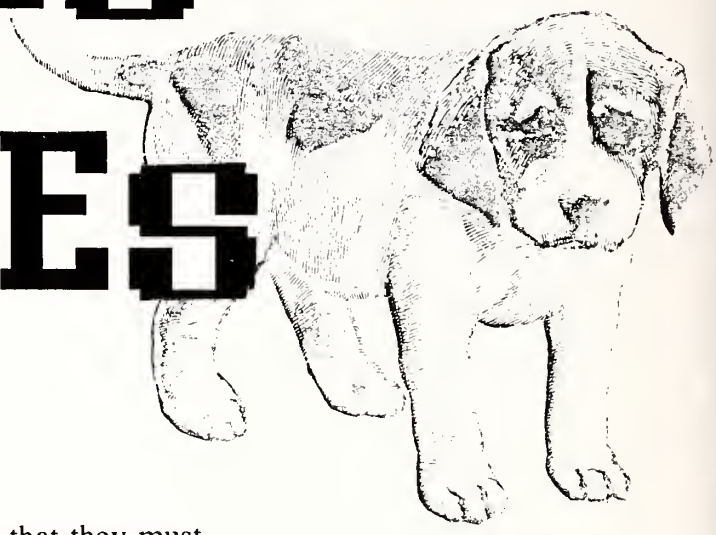
Adel Ishak, from East Beirut, Lebanon, spends his Christmas feeding the poor and homeless. People who have no family during the holiday or those in the hospital are treated to food and fellowship.

Ishak's Christmas with his own family, sound like a typical American family celebration - church on Christmas Eve, relatives on Christmas Day, gifts and Christmas dinner. Santa, however, is given little importance.

However you celebrate the holidays, it's sure to be a joyous time with friends and family.



Excuses Excuses



by Aimee Aubert

It never fails. Somehow, and with great slumber, you awake to yet another day of your so called life. Once again you face that one question which plagues each and every college student. "Should I go to class today or sleep to my heart's content?" Unfortunately, these questions bring out one other thought. "What is going to be my excuse?"

You could use the ol' standby of "the dog ate it" or maybe innocently ask the teacher "What assignment?" But this year a new idea has been established by all teachers to prevent these occurences from happening too often.

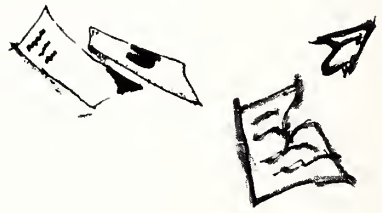
"This year I told each of my students that their grandmother could die three times and after that they are unexcused absences" said Cleon Rickel, journalism instructor.

It seems that most teachers have applied this policy, but I found that many still feel that they must present some alibi to their absence.

"I had one student last semester who had seven grandmothers die. It seemed like he was always going to a funeral," recalled Sharon Hill, English instructor. "Most of the time students use the normal excuses of "I got home too late from a basketball trip" or I got home to late from Spuds last night. I just laugh."

Instructors agreed that some of the more interesting occurences of missing homework and missed classes were "It fell into the bathtub" and "The electricity went off in the house and I didn't have any light to do my homework."

I'm sure that none of the students here on campus would ever dream of using some ill-excuse like "My alarm clock didn't go off" or "My roommate forgot to wake me," but for those of us who do, Sue Darby, English instructor, gave one bit of advice for all of us to follow. "Don't procrastinate and don't do your homework in the bathtub."



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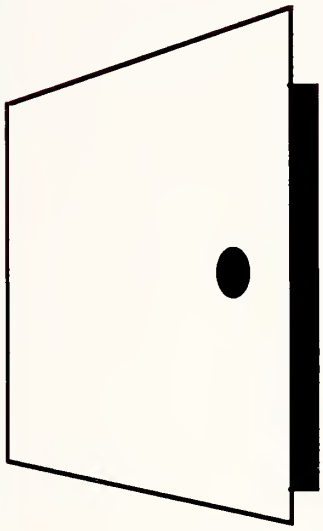
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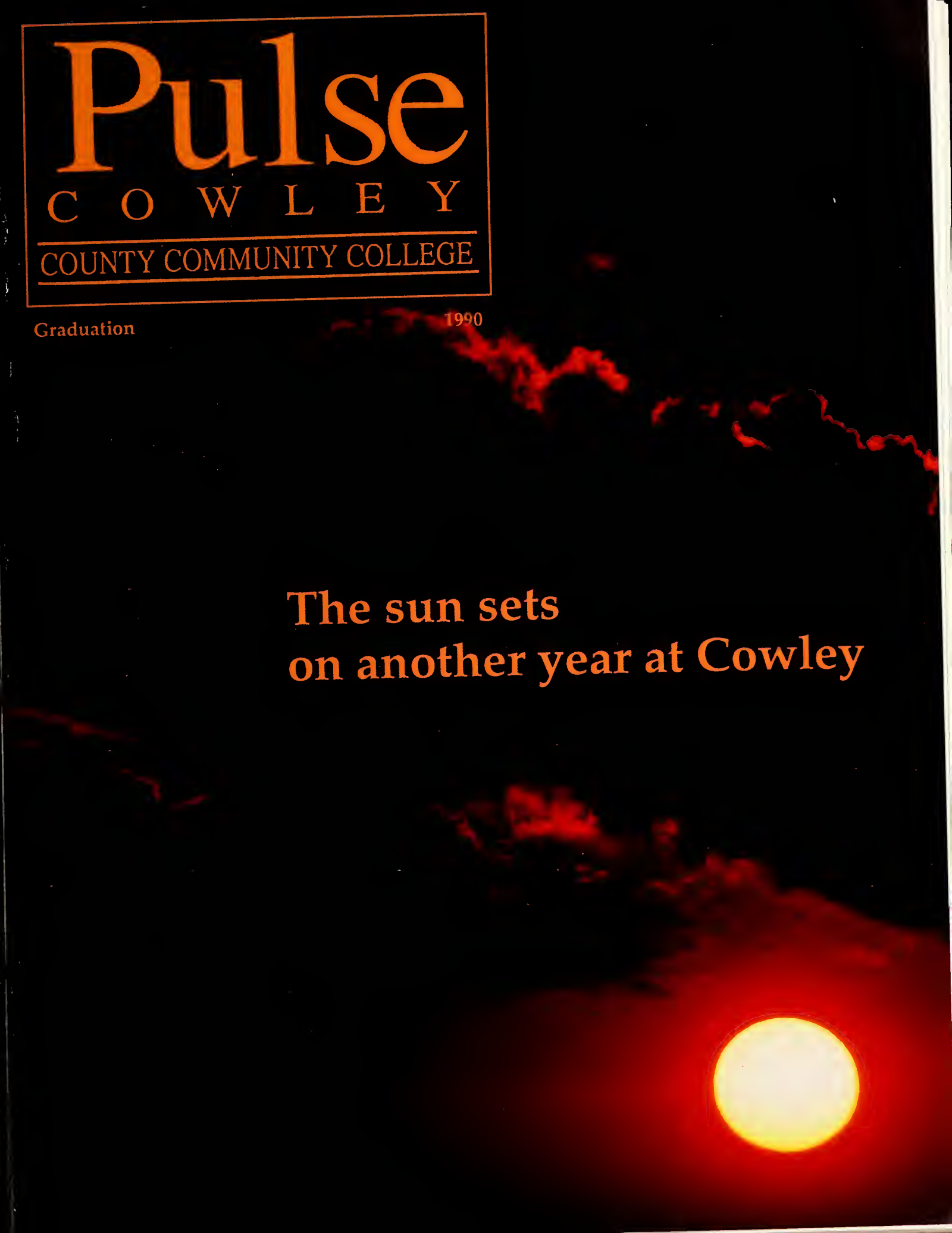
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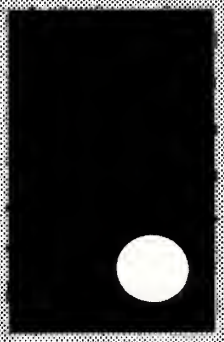
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The sun sets on another year at Cowley

ON THE COVER



The beautiful setting sun glows on the horizon symbolizing the uncertainty in the future of every Cowley graduate. With hopes of success and prosperity the students end yet another era in Cowley history (Photo by David Tobias).



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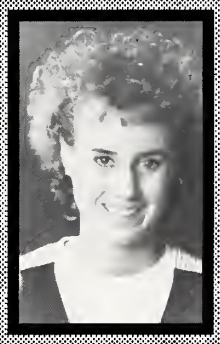
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EDITORIAL NOTE



GOOD-BYE TO COWLEY !

*As the end of the year quickly approaches, I would like to take this oppurtunity to thank everyone that has been involved with the **Pulse**. Not only the staff members but to the readers, the faculty, the staff and everyone else, even the small percentage of people that turned out to get their picture taken and help make the **Pulse** mugshot issue possible.*

*One reason that the **Pulse** even exists on campus is to take the place of a yearbook. The mugshot issue is reserved for the last issue so that it can be taken home and viewed as memories of the people that were associated with each other at Cowley. If only a few people get their picture taken then the memories are as few as the faces shown.*

I encourage all Cowley freshman to please have a picture taken next year. In the long run you will be glad that you did. As for all the sophomores or students that are leaving Cowley for other reasons, I hope that you remember the good times that you have had. Take this issue of the mugshot with you and keep it. When you pull it out several years later, you will see what I mean. You will be glad that those people spent five minutes getting their picture taken and you will wonder why others didn't.

*Also, I would like to encourage the non-traditional students at Cowley to get more involved with things like getting your **Pulse** mugshot taken. You may feel that memories don't matter to you. But remember, you are a part of every other Cowley student's memories, so you are cheating more than just yourself out of memories.*

*All these are just opinions and thoughts that I have. You may differ or you may agree. No matter what, I have had a pleasant time at Cowley and I will leave with many memories.A great deal of those memories come from being a part of the **Pulse** staff. So, once again, thank you to all who supported the **Pulse**. Good luck in the future and most of all Good Bye!!*

Sincerely, Shannon



Harold Walker



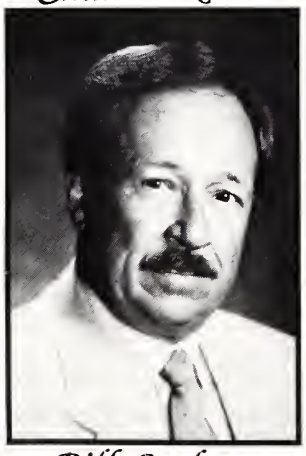
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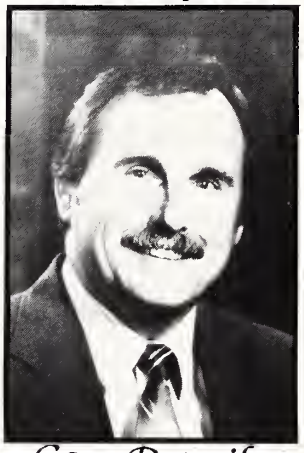
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AT THE TOP

Administrators Lead Cowley Toward The Future

by LIZ RILEY

"The future is unlimited." Cowley's future that is. According to Walt Mathiasmeier,dean of instruction, anything is possible.

The future of Cowley is ever-growing and holds nothing but advancement and the Board of Trustees is here to ensure that.

The six-member board is made up of Harold Walker, Joe McFall, Terry Tidwell, Charles Kerr, Bill Curless and Gary Detwiler. These men are Cowley's key to the future.

"Tomorrow's mission is the same as today's, to keep an open mind and to be an asset to the community," Tidwell said.

Tidwell is a resident of Winfield and works for Gott-Rubbermaid in Winfield as Distribution Manager.

Since the 10 year accreditation by the North Central Accreditation Association, Cowley has been upwardly mobile in its endeavors.

"Cowley will continue to be one of the best community colleges in the state. The college will continue to strive for excellence," Detwiler said.

Detwiler also lives and works in Winfield. He is employed at the Winfield State Hospital.

"Cowley will continue to supply an outstanding and low-cost delivery system for education and re-training of our area residents," McFall said.

McFall works in Wichita as a real estate broker and investor.

The College itself has the lowest tuition rate of community colleges in the state. The Board has kept this cost low to provide students with a quality education at an inexpensive level.

"The next ten years will be a period of fantastic growth," Walker said.

Walker, who has been on the board several years, works out of his home as a real estate appraisal service in Ark City.

The Board feels if everything goes as expected in the next ten years, enrollment should go up with the help of the low cost, new facilities and new staff.

"By looking at what is and was in growth, what will be is destined to increase by leaps and bounds," Curless said.

The Board is optimistic of great expectations. The College will not only try to help its students but also the people in the community.

"We plan to be involved in providing a service to the public schools and continue to experience growth," Kerr said.

Since technology is increasing in importance, Cowley plans to keep up with every step of advancement to ensure an increase in enrollment.

"The future of Cowley is to continue growth, make changes in curriculum as technology advances and expand cooperative training with business and industry," Vice President Sid Regnier said.

Cowley education in relation to industry is also something the Board hopes to introduce.

They plan to help Cowley County's area business by providing places for their employees to learn more about their jobs.

"Cowley will continue to play a more vital role in the economic and cultural development of south central Kansas," Dean of Students Bob Paxton said.

Being on this team of six is not an easy task. Although issues range from the mundane to the complex, one concept is always kept in mind.

"In short, the College will do everything possible to fulfill its mission established by the citizen of Cowley County," President Patrick J. McAtee, Ph.D. said.■

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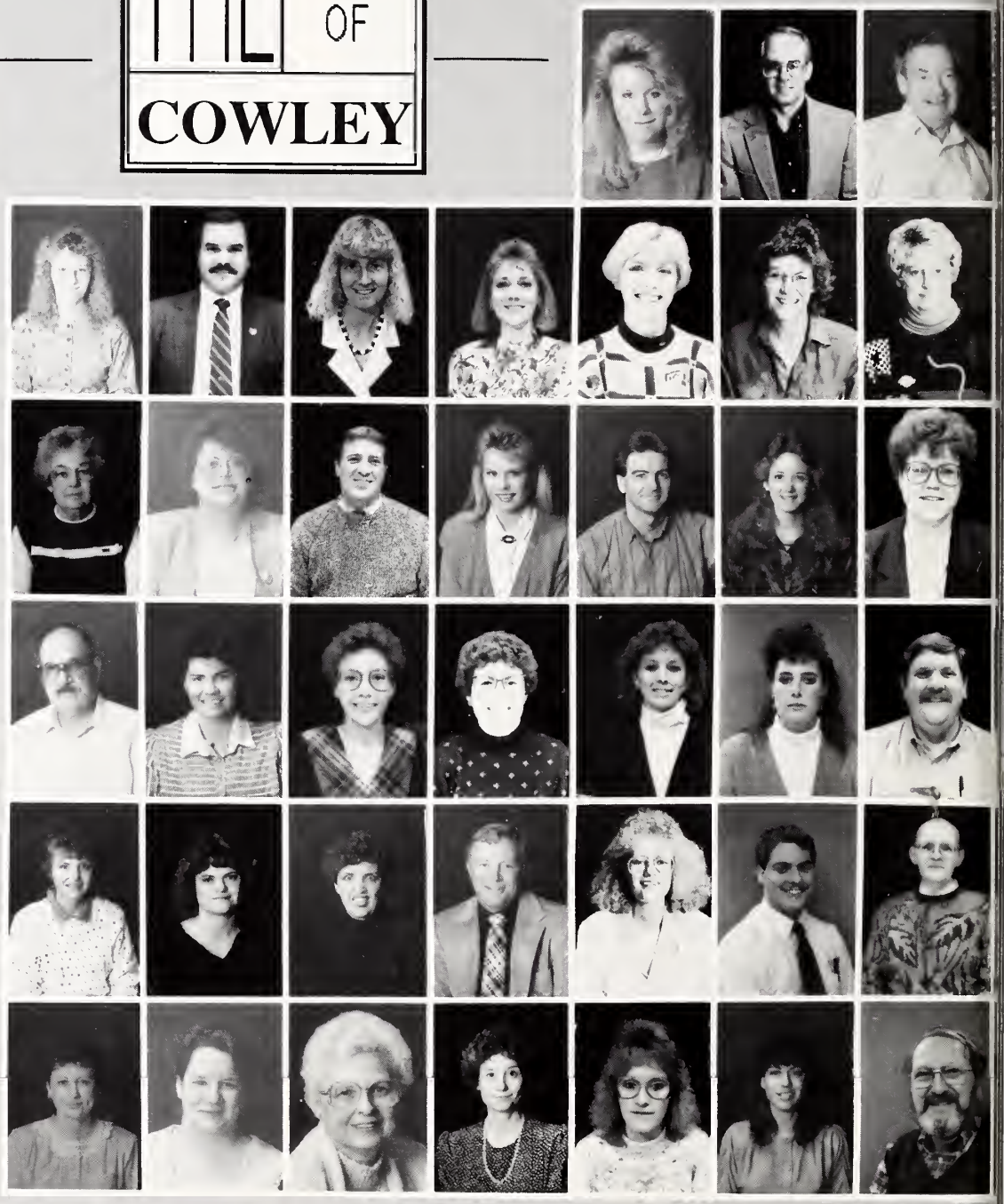
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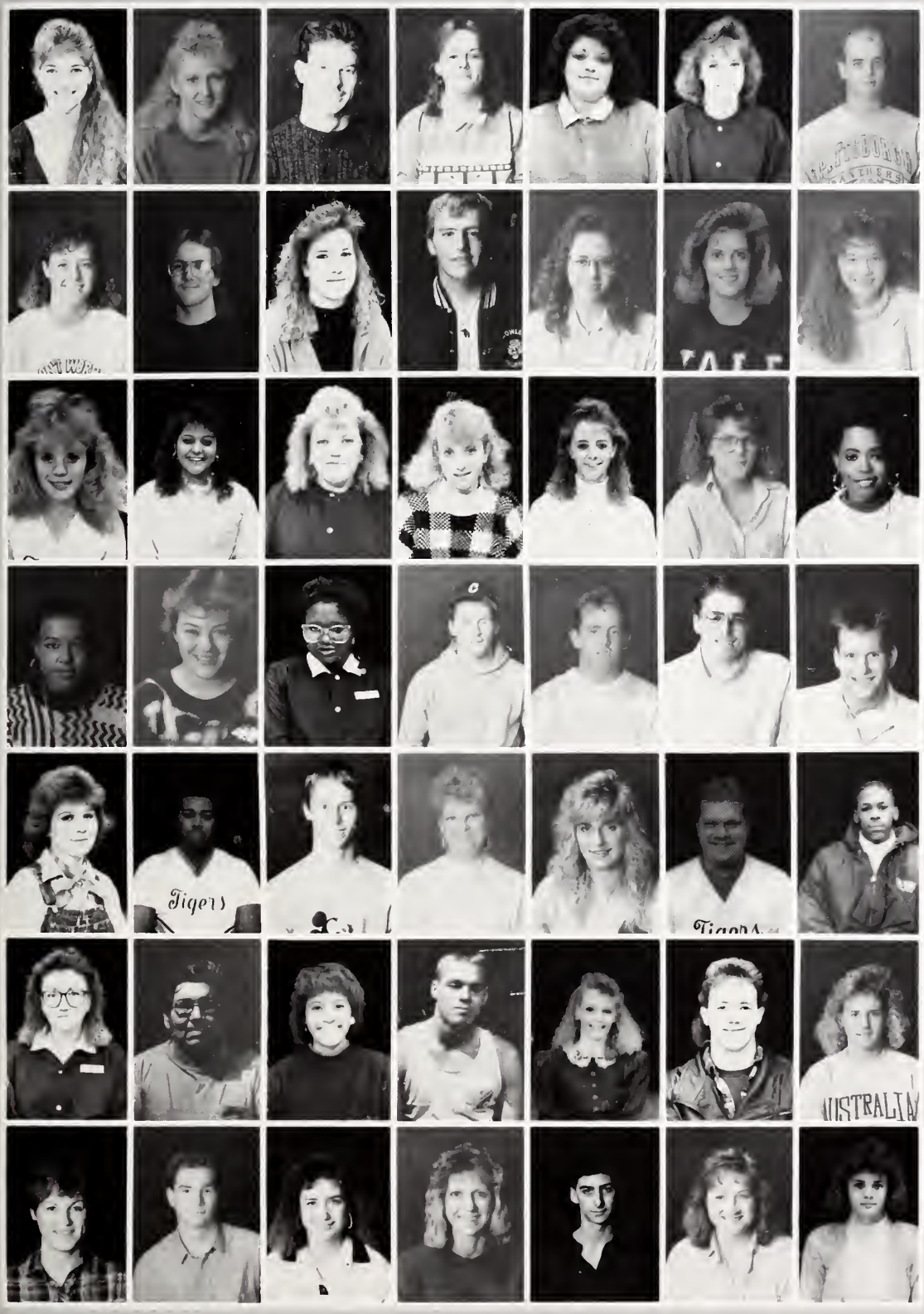
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Goal: 125

When the American Red Cross Blood Mobile came to Cowley on March 6, the Student Government Association set a goal for Cowley. The goal: 125 pints of blood donated by students, faculty or staff.



GIVING BLOOD- A blood donor waits patiently as one of the American Red Cross Blood Mobile volunteers prepares to draw blood. The SGA sponsored event was a success with around 140 pints of blood being donated by Cowley students, faculty and staff. Students were rewarded with an extra day of spring break. (Photo by David Holler).

The reward: an extra day of spring break.

Last year when the SGA sponsored blood mobile came to Cowley the total amount of pints donated barely reached 60. This year when Health Services Director Vickie Ayers began organizing the event, SGA brought a proposal before the Dean of Students Bob Paxton. The proposal was to offer the student body a "dead day" on the Friday preceding spring break.

From the Dean of Students the proposal went before the Administrative Council for final approval.

"The idea was approved fairly quickly," Administrative Council member Terri Nighswonger said.

However, there was more than enough participation to reach the goal.

"We received around 140 good pints of blood from Cowley," Ayers said.

The bloodmobile is scheduled to roll into Cowley again next year but there may be some changes. The goal may be kept a secret so that people do not stop coming once the goal has been met. No matter what next year brings Cowley should be proud of what was accomplished this year.

The Students' Choice



THE WINNER - Dejon Ewing was chosen teacher of the year by the students. This was the first time they have been able to choose their favorite teacher. Ewing received movie passes from the Burford Theatre and a pizza from Big Cheese Pizza. (Photo by David Tobias)

When *The Cowley Press* held its own teacher of the year competition, drama instructor Dejon Ewing did not think any thing about it. She was completely shocked when she found out she had won.

"I was very, very pleased. The fact that it was a student vote made it particularly nice," Ewing said.

Ewing has been at Cowley for two years. When she was originally hired, she only worked part-time with the theatre program. She also started the Ark City Community Theatre which produces one show per summer. When the College needed to hire an English teacher, Ewing applied for the job.

"After I got the job, we started our performances. I have been pleased with the plays, they have been sold out for every performance," Ewing said.

Ewing believes she has a good rapport with the students.

"I have a great respect for my students. It is gratifying to know I am acknowledged," she said.



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"Leader of the Pack"

by LIZ RILEY

The stage was dark. Music started playing the opening number and the "Leader of the Pack" had arrived.

March 29, 30, 31, the Music and Drama Department got together to produce its spring musical. Dejon Ewing and Connie Haverkamp co-directed this spectacular event.

"I think it was extremely successful," Haverkamp said.

Haverkamp had an interesting role in this performance. She was not only a director but also a performer.

"It was quite an experience," Haverkamp said. "I hadn't performed in a musical since high school. The students were also a lot of fun to work with."

Ewing was also pleased with the performance.

"I was very pleased," Ewing said. "The quality was top-rate and it was a full evenings entertainment for all who attended."■



ETERNAL KISS - Ross Jordan, "Jeff Barry"; and Jackie Massey, "Ellie Greenwich" embrace in a magic moment during the "Leader of the Pack" musical put on by the College Music and Drama Departments. (Photo by David Tobias)

"The Red School House"

100 Years of Ireland Hall history

by MELINDA PRICHARD

The oldest building on campus celebrated its 100th anniversary. Ireland Hall, the Service Technology Building, had its birthday on Feb. 26.

In 1890, the Board of Education decided to construct a high school building that would fit the needs of the community. According to the *Weekly Republican Traveler*, April 3, 1890, the Board met and contracted the sale of $49,000 of bonds. A week later, the board adopted the plans to build the building at the estimated cost of $19,000.

The building was ready to be roofed ten months after they began construction. The pigment that was used to bring out the pattern in the stonework was not weatherproof, however, which caused the color to run and gave the stones a crimson color. The school became known as "The Red School House."

The Traveler, Aug. 20, 1892, said "the school will open in the new building September 7." The school opened that day with 194 students and their parents at the opening day services. There they sang hymns and recited the "Lord's Prayer."

The clock tower at the top was originally supposed to have a clock installed, but it never became a reality. There were flowers and plants surrounding the fountain by the main entrance. The floors of the office and board room were covered with Brussels carpeting.

The finishing touches on the building were not complete until 1893 and the estimated cost at the time was $38,000.

After the turn of the century, the enrollment was on the increase. By 1912, the board decided to construct a manual training building two blocks away The building was finished by 1913 with additions being made four years later.

In 1922, because of increasing enrollment, a new high school had been built and was ready for use.

"The Red School House" was going to become a departmental school with the sixth grade classes from all the elementary schools. The classes were held there until 1941 when the sixth graders were taken back to their own neighborhoods.

With the talk of another war brewing, the school house was used as USO headquarters for the people in the service. This went on until 1949.

The building was then used for a teen program to accommodate youth activities until 1960.

Fact

In 1971, the title to the building was transferred to Cowley County Community College.

The basement of the building was used by the Red Cross for storage of materials until another location opened for the organization.

During the following years, there was little done to keep the building in good shape. The gradual deterioration was enough to threaten any practical use; therefore school authorities wanted to have the building demolished in 1949. The former students, teachers and concerned citizens delayed any action.

In 1971, the title to the building was transferred to Cowley County Community College from USD 470.

The College made a few minor repairs and started using the building for classrooms in social studies. The carpentry program was set up in part of the building and for six months in spring 1978, the Endowment/Alumni Office was located there.

There were serious problems with the upkeep of the building and questions were raised as what to do with it. At that time, the Arkansas City Historical Society and concerned citizens began requesting that it be renovated and made into a cultural arts center. The fund raising began and the College trustees made an appeal to the city, state and federal government for assistance in the project. The Kansas State Historical Society declared "The Red School House" an historical landmark.

In 1974, the building was placed on the National Register of Historic Places and declared a state landmark.

In 1966, Congress authorized the National Park Service to protect historic sites. A provision in the act stated that the buildings cannot be destroyed or altered, and the buildings must remain unchanged to be eligible for federal grants-in-aid for improvement.

Three Kansas State University students were sent to Arkansas City to inspect the school building. After they left, Mr. Charles Hall, a professor of architecture at KSU, came to Arkansas City. He inspected the building and estimated that it would take about $200,000 to renovate it.

The College officials applied for a

grant from the state and the city development fund for $56,433. They were turned down on grounds of incorrect usage of the building.

In 1980, the College officials re-applied for the money to create a service technology center. In doing this, it would mean the cosmetology area would be moved, as well as moving the police science training school from the Business Technology Building to the new location and expansion of the medical laboratory.

The Kansas State Board of Education allowed $300,000, accumulated in the vocational-technical capital outlay fund, to be used in the renovation. This amount, plus money from the Arkansas City Community Development Fund made it possible for the estimated amount to be as high as $518,157.

The college entered a contract with Landmark Building Company, Inc. of Manhattan to start the renovation of the building. By September, the crown on top of the tower had been replaced. There was work done on the outside of the building to protect it from the weather.

By February 1981, the inside of the building was being remodeled. Included in the renovations of the inside was an elevator reaching the fourth floor. The elevator was installed by Viola Industries.

Fact

On December 12, 1982, the building was officially named the W.H "Pat" Ireland Hall.

The lower floor was done for the cosmetology program, the second floor was done for police science and medical training laboratories.

The reception area was located where the original board room was; the police science instruction room was built where the original superintendent's office was.

The rooms set aside for cosmetology and police science were ready to be moved into for classes in the fall of 1982.

A fund drive was started to put a set of carillon bells in the tower. When the drive began, Mrs. E. S. Berry gave most of the needed amount as a memorial to her late husband. He had been a long time contractor in Arkansas City. On Oct. 30, 1982, a dedication ceremony was held, and the family was honored on the occasion.

The bells sound at the change of classes throughout the school day and on the hour throughout the weekend.

On December 12, 1982, the building was officially dedicated. It was officially named the W. H. "Pat" Ireland Hall. Before his death in 1982, Mr. Ireland had been a strong community supporter and had served almost ten years on the Board of Trustees.

The remodeling on the third floor of Ireland Hall is still in a waiting stage.

A reception was held in the lobby of Ireland Hall on Feb. 26 to celebrate the 100th anniversary of such a historic building in the community.■



A PIECE OF COWLEY HISTORY - Ireland Hall, built in 1890, celebrated its 100th birthday Feb. 26. (Photo by Lance Mullen)

Twenty



Name: Mimi Houghton
Hometown: Winfield, KS
College Major: Art
Specialty: Portrait drawings

QUESTIONS

by JULIE GERSTENKORN

*This issue's "Twenty Questions" interview is with **Mimi Houghton,** a sophomore art student at Cowley.*

Pulse: 'Mimi' - it's a different name. Is it your real name or a nick name?

Mimi: *My grandmother started calling me that when I was little and then everyone started calling me Mimi. My real name is Melina.*

Pulse: What got you interested in art?

Mimi: *I was born with it. I came from an artistic family. My grandmother paints, my mother paints, my brother is also an artist. I think he's better than me. My father*

makes mechanical devices in which he uses when hunting and camping.

Pulse: What kind of art do you perform?

Mimi: *My best subject is drawing portraits of anybody. I usually like to do it from a photograph, something still.*

Pulse: As a person, what does art do for you?

Mimi: *It's good therapy. Most of my art is based on emotions. It's a good way of dealing with things because it's like talking about it but instead I'm drawing it.*

Pulse: Is Ark City your hometown?

Mimi: *No, I'm from Winfield, I'm just living here temporarily.*

Pulse: What piece of work are you proudest of?

Mimi: *I did a drawing of Merily Matlin of* ***'Children of a Lesser God'.*** *I have it at home - it's a 12 x 8.*

Pulse: Other than art what do you enjoy?

Mimi: *I love hunting and camping. I love big cities. I eventually want to live in Denver and own a gallery and get students straight from college so they can be exposed. I think that's what we need now.*

Pulse: What would be an ideal career and life after college for you?

Mimi: *Owning a gallery and to get married. It's a little early to think about kids. I couldn't imagine having kids right now."*

Pulse: As an artist what inspires you?

Mimi: *I have a very creative imagination. I started this summer to see if I was ready for college and I really got into it. It's all coming back.*

STRAIGHT TALK



"Most of my art is based on emotions."

-Mimi Houghton

As a child, I had a very good imagination.

Pulse: Where will you transfer to pursue your education?

Mimi: *WSU. I'm giving it a semester and if it doesn't pan out I'm going to Denver to an art insitute.*

Pulse: If you had any advice to others about art what would it be?

Mimi: *Life's complex and people try to be perfect but just go back to your basics and that's the best art you will do.*

Pulse: What's your philosophy on life?

Mimi: *Life is a test, and nothing more, you just live it. Everything happens for a reason and if you pass it you go on if not you go through it again.*

Mimi Houghton has been attending Cowley for three years. She's striving for the best. One of her inspirational characters in life was her junior high art teacher. With her she was able to show her true feelings. After quitting art in high school, she started attending Cowley to pursue her artistic career. Good-luck Mimi!



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Mary Margaret Williams Makes the Difference!



SCHEDULE STRATEGY- Details of the Institute take concentration . (Photo by Eddie Blanton)

by TINA PHILLIPS

Mary Margaret Williams is using using her talents to make a difference in the lives of senior citizens. For Williams, helping people is a way of life. Williams is the program director of the Institute of Lifetime Learning at Cowley.

"I like working with people," Williams said.

Since 1955, Williams has been a permanent fixture at Cowley.

She was born in Scott City but grew up in Baldwin City. She graduated from Baker University following in the footsteps of her sister, mother and father, who was a professor at Baker.

"One thing I remember is three chums I ran around with a lot. We did various things. We were very inventive. Every six weeks we had a picnic. Sometimes we would go for a full day if we were excused from exams. If one of us were caught, we went half a day. Our fathers were all professors at the college and I think that is what brought us together. We have been friends since the sixth grade," Williams said.

The friends still keep in touch, especially during Christmas.

"One is in the state of Washington and the other two are still in Baldwin. We write each other and sometimes visit on

the phone. When I'm in Baldwin I go see them," she said.

Williams was teaching junior and high school students when she was offered a position at Cowley. Before she came to Cowley, Williams took a leave of abscence from her job as a teacher to obtain her master's degree in counseling at the University of Kansas.

"I found the high school students to be very fun-loving, inventive, and mischievious. (However), they were rather serious about what they were going to do (in life)," she said.

Williams started from scratch when she brought the Institute of Lifetime Learning into existence.

"I had to organize the Institute of Lifetime Learning. I had no pattern. I had to learn it on my own," Williams said.

Williams' daily schedule includes mornings filled with activities such as answering the phone, working out the Institute's class schedule, organizing trips, attending committee meetings, and responding to the many letters she receives about the services offered by the Institute.

"Since we are listed in the American Association of Retired Person's Directory and we were one of the early groups (for senior citizens), we receive a lot of requests for general information on things such as the tours and how we are supported- they want to know about the financial end of it,"she said.

The Institute offers classes, workshops, and trips designed to enrich the lives of senior citizens in Cowley County and surrounding communities. It also provides them a chance to continue educational studies as well as providing a little entertainment.

"I think as we go along the Institute will probably have courses for retraining senior citizens and help them find full time or part time jobs," Williams said.

Some classes offered include antiques, instructed by Betty Sybrant; Arabic language, by Salem Chaaban; Sociology of the Prairie, by Carol Hobaugh-Maudlin; and woodcarving, by Don Hughes.

The Institute also arranges trips to such places as the Flint Hills, the Crown Uptown Dinner Theater of Wichita, and provides transportation to the summer sessions of the Music Theater.

Williams likes to stay very involved with the Institute. She tries to attend the first session of every class offered and goes on some of the class trips.

"They enjoy the trips everytime. Each time they say, 'This is the best one yet!' We give them time to see things. We also try to give them information on the trips before we go," Williams said.

Williams feels that she has made progress in getting senior citizens involved in the community via the Institute. The usual group size for class trips is about 20 people and that number may double for trips to the Music Theater.

"Not much is done these days for senior citizens. I have an idea that the Institute will help them enjoy life a little more," she said. "I hope people will come to rely on them as sources of information. We refer to the senior citizens as 'senior scholars'."

Being the program director for the Institute of Lifetime Learning is not the only thing that keeps Williams busy. She is also a member of Soroptimist and Delta Kappa Gamma, is in charge of chapel services at Crescent Creek Towers and is the chairman of the Citizen's Retirement Advisory Committee, which is presently in the process of building a new senior citizen's building.

With so many activities, it is sometimes difficult to track Williams down.

"People happen to call when I'm between the college and home," Williams said.

Whenever she finds a spare moment, Williams likes to read, knit, and crochet. This however, is a rarity as her days are usually full.

Williams does find time to motivate herself while being an inspiration to those around her. Regardless of what life dishes out, Williams maintains a positive outlook.

"When things get rough, I tell myself that tomorrow will be another day and it will be better," she said.■

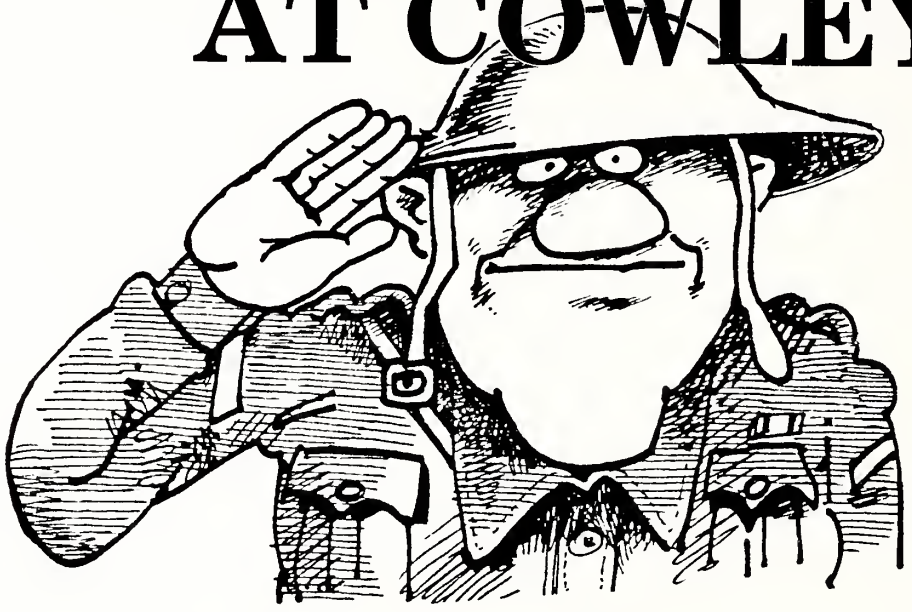
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WEEKEND WARRIORS: LOCKED AND LOADED AT COWLEY



by TED KADAU

"Be all that you can be" is both a challenge and a promise given by our nation's military to any male or female over the age of 18 and who is an American citizen.

But does this slogan hold true?

The answer, at least for Specialist/E4 Brad Travis and Specialist/E4 Will Crow, both of whom are students here at Cowley, is a resounding yes.

Travis, who joined the Army Reserves in January of 1988, said "I think that the time that I have spent in the reserves has helped me to feel better about myself, gain more self confidence and learn to get along better with others. It has been rough at times but overall I really enjoy it."

Crow, who joined the Army National Guard in October of 1987, said, "I joined the Guard both to serve my country and for the money. But I think I've gotten much more out of it than just that. I've learned a lot about my limits, self-discipline, responsibility and generally just an awful lot about myself."

Though they do enjoy the military and its many benefits, such as good pay and travel, both Crow and Travis say they can recall times that were not so pleasant.

"Basic training was pretty rough, you've just got to want to do it," Travis said. "They don't teach you how to be a soldier, you teach yourself. My most vivid bad memory of basic was the time that I had to squat against a wall in the sitting position, holding out my M-16 in front of me for about 30 minutes. It's things like this, I guess, that keep the graduation rate from basic training at around 75 percent."

Crow agrees with Travis on this figure on soldiers that complete basic training.

"Basic was very hard and you do have some guys that drop out simply because they cannot handle it. I can remember one time while I was at basic I had to stick my head and chest in a 55 gallon trash can and repeat over and over again I am an a_ _ hole, for about 45 minutes. And if that wasn't rough enough, one of the guys in my squad came by and dumped a dust pan full of garbage into the trash can while my head was still in it," Crow said.

Crow, who spent his time at basic training at Ft. Leonard Wood in Missouri, now spends his one weekend a month in Operational Services as an ITV (Improved TOW Vehicle/personnel carrier) gun turret mechanic.

"I really enjoy working on the ITV's. I attend AIT (Advanced Individual Training) to learn how to work on the machines and to learn things such as military jargon and military procedures," Crow said. "AIT is the next step up from basic training, it's not as physically strenuous, but it is much more academic."

Travis, who has also graduated from AIT, spends his time on maneuvers as an Army Reserve cook.

"I really enjoy it. Mostly what I do is to help prepare meals for the other men in my company. March 17-31 my company is going to Korea as a support group for the regular group that is already

stationed there. We'll be involved in what is known as a Maneuver Box. It is sort of a mock war," Travis said. "They use things such as fireworks and gun blanks to simulate a real war. I'm really looking forward to it."

Though travel is a big plus for Travis, he also said that it has a major setback. "I'd have to say that the toughest part of being in the reserves is the time that I have to spend away from home. I've spent two summers away from family and friends and it's a little rough."

Many soldiers feel that time spent in the military gives them a new outlook on their country, Crow and Travis are no exceptions.

"I definitely think that serving time in the military has given me a lot of pride in my country. It makes me mad when I hear people put it down and talk bad about it." Travis said.

Crow strongly agrees with this. "You look at world events differently. It just gives you a lot of pride in yourself and in your country. When I see things such as a flag burning taking place, it really angers me," Crow said.

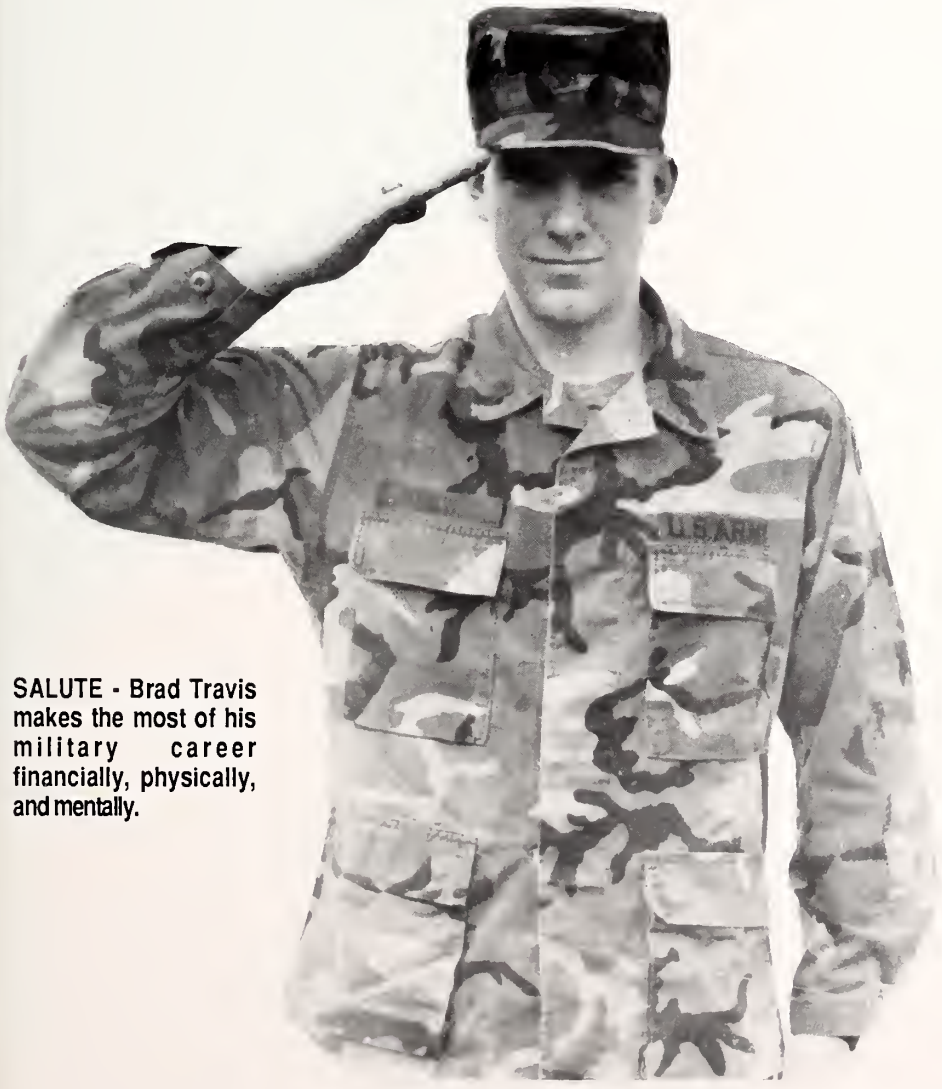
Crow, who still has another three years left before his tour of duty will be completed, said that he is not sure quite yet whether or not he will re-enlist into the National Guard again.

"It all really depends on whether or not I join the ROTC when I go on to a bigger college," Crow said. "If I become an officer I will probably join again."

Travis on the other hand says that he will join again.

"I'll be attending OSU next fall and I'm going to join ROTC. I hope to become an officer and if I do, I'll probably go into active duty. I'll definitely join the reserves again though," he said.

Though "Being all you can be" may not be easy, in fact it can be extremely rough, our nation's military does keep its promise. With all its benefits, both material and non-material, the United States Armed Forces may indeed be a "Great place to start."■



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GRADUATION

Years of work pay off with Cowley diploma



Education, cap, gown and the long awaited diploma are all words that come to mind whenever the word graduation is mentioned. Although these are very symbolic, there are other things just as important to college life but not as easily recited. Things such as family, friends and future are necessary to successfully make it through the first two years of college.

Family is important for both the traditional and nontraditional students. Both need a family that is supportive and encourages them to excel to their highest potential. It gives the student the self confidence he or she needs to do their best.

For the traditional students their familys are also expected to help them through Cowley financially. Some parents send their kids money when they need it, others pay for them to live in the dorms and many of the students from the Cowley County area live at home.

Friends are also extremely important during college. When people came to Cowley they found new faces and made new friends. These friends helped them through two years of their lives in a variety of ways. Adjusting to a new school, being away from home or generally feeling accepted would have been much harder to go through alone. But with friends beside you it went a lot smoother.

Now that Cowley is completed some of the students will transfer to another college and make new friends who will be equally important in the next few years to come. Others will go on with their lives and stay closely in touch with the friends they had at Cowley.

The other thing that is generally associated with graduation is the future. It is always wise to plan ahead and be prepared for whatever time may bring. Whether it be deciding on which college to attend next or where to apply for that job you are now qualified for, it is all important.

Although some may not have specific plans, it is smart to at least have a tentative idea. After all, the decision to come to Cowley took time and planning but in the end you came out with a diploma in hand.

After at least two years at Cowley everyone has had their share of memorable experiences and the College will symbolize a fairly big portion of every graduates life.

by Jami Judd



ACT ONE

Thespians at Cowley have discovered Act One Drama Club as a way to stay involved with dramatics.

"There has been an increased number of people in the club because of increased enrollment," sponsor Dejon Ewing said.

This year Act One was responsible for two major productions, "The Nerd" and "Leader of the Pack". The Cinderfella Pageant was also a result of Ewing.

Each year the club tries to reward its members with dinner and a show in Wichita.

Members pictured are, from left to right, Front row: Jennifer Leisinger, Kristi Gottlob, Sharlene Johnson, Ted Kadau; Second row: Susan Burton, Deann Alvarado, Renee Holder, Kim Brunner, Dejon Ewing-Sponsor, Liz Riley; Third row: Tracie Willhoite, James Outhet, Will Crow, Tom Loftus, Bob Hardister, Silas Ashmore, Jackie Massey and Anna Roberts.

Academic Excellence Challenge

Despite its reputation, Academic Excellence Challenge is not just for students with 4.0 grade point averages. It's for anyone, said sponsor Sue Darby.

AEC meets for class time much like any other activity. Students are asked questions on a number of academic subjects. That practice and study is then put to work during three competitions during the school year.

Students participate in a scrimmage, then regionals and state competition.



Members pictured are, front row from right to left, Charmie Carney, Sue Darby, sponsor, and Janet Bobek; back row, Jarod Boatman, Doug Rains, David Brown, Stephanie Fields, Paul Stirnaman, sponsor, and Silas Ashmore.

A student can also earn an AEC books and tuition scholarship.

THE FACES OF COWLEY



Choir

The College Choir is no small potatoes. This group has performed two concerts this year and has also performed for the Math and Science Day.

"Choir is sounding really good," director Connie Haverkamp said. "We are few in number, but the sound we put out makes us seem larger than we really are."

The Choir is a non-audition group for the College and all that is basically required to join the class, is the love for music. The ability to sing is not a priority because by the time the semester has ended, you will have learned more about singing than you thought you would.

"Singing comes from the heart," freshman Anna Roberts said. "You can't help but enjoy it."

"I have learned so much this year," sophomore Liz Riley said. "And I've been singing most of my life."

Pictured members are: from left to right, front row: Rosalinda Machado, Terese Simpson, Michelle Watson, Camille Boggs, Stephanie Hensley, Janet Bobek, Liz Riley, Jeanne Schermerhorn, Connie Haverkamp-director; back row: Pat Jordan, Lori Curran, Anna Roberts, Mark Schwartz, Jim Walcher, David Brown, Tim Gricol, Elaina Rayl, Tina Hyde, Judy Ramsey-accompianist.

Clarinet Choir

Clarinet Choir at Cowley consists of six clarinet players ranging from first time freshman to the experienced, and is under the direction of Leonard Barnhill.

The Clarinet Choir has a large list of performances. The choir has played for the Ark City Music Club, the Lion's Club, the 1989 Arkalalah Coronation Ceremony, Century II 's Pioneer Arts and Crafts Show, Winfield's Outdoor Celebration, South Haven's class reunion, and several others.

Not only is their list of performances numerous in size, their selection of music is also rather large. They play songs ranging from Glenn Miller's "Moonlight Serenade" to the more popular pieces of today.

"They really like to play. They like playing better than rehearsing. Every place we've performed at we have been asked to come back. We get an excellent reaction everywhere we play," Director Leonard Barnhill said.

Barnhill doesn't expect the Clarinet Choir to grow much in size but hopes to add a couple of Contra Clarinet players in the upcoming years.

"If the trustees approve, we would like to add the B flat Clarinet to the Choir," Barnhill said.



Members of the Clarinet Choir pictured are, from left to right, Front row: Petra Estabrook, Julie Wilson, Lori Carlson; Back row, Gerald Brown, Shellie Capehart and Janet Bobek.

Cosmetology VICA

There are 16 members in the Cosmetology section of VICA, making 100 percent membership.

All members worked very hard during the year to raise money for their club. They had a bake sale and used the proceeds to put together a cook book, which they sold for $6 a piece. Those proceeds were used to purchase their show tickets to Discover 1990, a competition for hair, skin and nails at Tulsa, Okla.

They also had a raffle. The first-prize winner received a perm or hair color. Second prize was a haircut, shampoo and style and there were ten third prizes - a manicure, pedicure or shampoo and style.



Officers of the club are: Tina Ryser, president; Susan Helms, vice president; Amy Atkins, secretary; Angela Brock, treasurer; and Kathy Haworth, SGA representative. The Sponsor is Pat Mauzey.

Front row, right to left: Tina Ryser, Pat Mauzey, Susan Helms; Second row: Sharon Rowley, Christy K. West, Leah Osborn, Suzi Hicks, Robin Tackett, Stephanie Zeigler, Earlene Carr; Third row: Lue Andes, Amy Atkins, Angela Brock, Kathy Haworth, Deborah Doyal, Mona Weber.



PHI BETA LAMBDA

Phi Beta Lambda is a business organization open to any student enrolled in three hours or more of a business subject.

The goal of the club, said sponsor Marilyn Denny, is to promote business and develop leadership skills.

The 28-member group attends a number of conferences during the school year, along with organizing fund raisers and participating in Arkalalah.

Members pay a $20 fee for local, state and national dues.

Members pictured are, from left to right, Peggy Paton, sponsor, Melanie Boling, Marilyn Denny, sponsor; back row, Kelly Sanborn, Shari Tauscher, Pat Ranzau, Patricia Jackson, Bridgett Bryant, Susan Van Fleet, Lori Curran, Lisa Stover, Renee Bryant, Shari Holman, Shelly Oakley, Jane Richards, Laura Hughes and Robbie Coffman.

Delta Epsilon Chi



Any student who has been accepted into the Business Management curriculum at Cowley can join the local chapter of Delta Epsilon Chi.

The chapter of the post-secondary division of Delta Epsilon Chi is open to those students who are interested in succeeding in business. There is a chance for recognition at the local, state, and national levels for students who excell in business.

There are scholarships available to graduating high school seniors and interested adults who are entering the Business Management Program.



International Students

The International Student's organization was started this fall and boasts 10 students from all different parts of the world.

The organization was began to help these students get to know each other and other students, said sponsor Susan Rush.

The students meet periodically throughout the year for activities and other fun.

"It's been a difficult year to keep the group together," Rush said. "The students are so busy. We hope to do better next year."

Members pictured are, front row, left to right, Salem Chaaban, co-sponsor, and Susan Rush, sponsor; back row, Sarah Poole, Tim Shanahan, Mick Evans, Fernando Righetto, Adel Ishak, Godwin Madzima and Binh Brown.



CONCERT BAND

The 23 member Concert band at Cowley declares that it's small size does not effect the quality of music or the spirit of the band. Band director Leonard Barnhill is considered an important reason for high spirits of the bands.

"Leonard Barnhill is a great band director. He really keeps the group together," band member Jason Lowery said.

The band performs four times a year as well as playing at basketball games. Jazz band consists of several members from the Concert band.

Pictured members are from left to right, Front row: Gerald Brown, Lori Carlson, Petra Estrabrook, Julie Wilson, Jeanne Schermerhorn; Second row: Janet Bobek, shellie Capehart, Darla Kimple, Eric Hicks, Jeanette Burden, Bill Pierce; Third row: Leonard Barnhill-Director, Terry Lauderbaugh, Lance Patterson, Robie Mavis, Brian Shepard, Elaina Rayl and Timothy Gricol.

KACC Honor Band



Of 19 community colleges represented at the Kansas Association of Community Colleges (KACC) Honor competition in Hutchison on October 19, 1989, six students from Cowley placed.

"I'm sure, with the talent we've got here, if more had entered; more would have placed," Director Leonard Barnhill said.

Those that did go found the competiton to be rewarding.

"It was fun to meet new people and play new music," clarinet player Julie Wilson said.

The two day competition involved one day of practice and another of performance.Contestants are judged on tone quality and technique.

Those who saw the entire KACC band perform thought the band was great

"I saw the band perform at the KACC meeting in Hutchinson," KACC delegate Shannon Wineinger said. "They put on a great show. It sounded as if they had been practicing forever."

"I'm pretty sure we'll have more people becoming involved. People are coming in that are really interested (in the contest)," Barnhill said.

The KACC Honor Band , from left to right, Front row: Petra Estabrook, Janet Bobek, Jeanette Burden; Back row: Shellie Capehart, Julie Wilson, and Sharon Scantlin.

Clubs

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The Math Club was formed in October of 1989 for students with a common interest in math and who desire to be involved with mathematics and science.

Any student who is currently, or has been, enrolled in one or more math related classes is eligible for the club.

"The main goals of the club," said its sponsor Salem Chaaban, "is to make mathematics enjoyable for the student and to help reduce the common 'math anxiety' that is commonly shared among college students."

The club is proud of its affiliation with the National Honor Society of Mathematics for Community Colleges, Mu Alpha Theta (MATh).

Members pictured are from left to right, front row, Shannon Wineinger, Pete Newell, Jared Boatman, Salem Chaaban; Back row: Liana Dubach, Gloria Roberts, Slias Ashmore, Kevin Pennington and Judy Hadden.

The PRESS/ROAR

Entertaining and informing the college campus are the goals of the Press/Roar. In the past year the paper, originally called the Cycle, underwent a change in name.

"Changing the name of the newspaper gave it more of an identity," newspaper advisor Cleon Rickel said.

"It is different than working for the Traveler (Ark City newspaper). To be a newspaper person you have to be a professional busy body. (Here) you deal with students. I enjoy that quite a bit. It may take a few months (to see an improvement) but you see the payoff," Rickel said.



Members of the Press/Roar staff pictured are, left to right, Front row: Debra Cully, Eric Hicks, Melinda Prichard; Second row: James Outhet, David Holler-Editor, Scott Stansbarger, Tim Guesman and Bret Bannon.

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PULSE



Capturing special moments and preserving them is the Pulse's speciality.

"We have definitely improved. We've gotten our acts together and learned a lot - including me," Nighswonger said. "I'm glad this mug shot issue is over and we're done for the year but by fall I will be ready to start again.

"I'm already looking at some prospects for next year's staff. If all goes well we should just keep on getting better."

Staff members pictured are Shannon Wineinger (horizontal), Liz Riley and David Tobias (supporting Shannon), from left to right, Jill Broyles, Ted Kadau, Pat Obley, Raynae Carter, David Holler and Melinda Prichard.

The Pulse, in its sixth year of publication, is produced four to six times a year and is advised by Terri Nighswonger.

SAX QUARTET



The Saxophone quartet is one of several speciality instrumental groups at Cowley County Community College. This small, select group plays for civic organizations throughout the year including the Ark City's Lions Club, the Ambassadors Club, the Ark City Music Club and the Ark City Scholarship Concert.

Members of the group are auditioned early in the year for their place in the quartet which consists of a baritone, tenor, alto and soprano saxophone.

Practice makes perfect, so the saying goes, and this group works hard to perfect the beautiiful harmonies of their innovative style.

"There's no doubt they've gotten better," said director Leonard Barnhill.

Pictured members of the Saxophone Quartet are William Pierce, kneeling from right, baritone saxophone; Jeanette Burden, soprano saxophone; Darla Kimple, tenor saxophone; and Gerald Brown, alto saxophone.

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Student Government Association

Each year the Student Government Association (SGA) is basically the center of student activities on campus and this year is no exception.

Sponsorship was taken over by Activities Director Ed Hargrove and officers for the 89-90 year were President Shannon Wineinger, Vice-President Jami Judd, Secretary Kristy Gottlob, and treasurer Holly Hadsall.

The group sponsored a great number of activities such as Homecoming '90, the Red Cross Bloodmobile, free movie nights, dances, and Tigerama.

"I think the activities this year turned out to be very successful," Wineinger said. "One reason they went over so well was because all of the SGA members got involved."

The new officers for the 90-91 school year are Sharon Booher, president, and Brett Gottlob, vice-president.

"I hope that next year will end up as great as this year did," Booher said. "I had a lot of fun in SGA as a representative and I want to make sure as many people as possible get involved next year because it is very worthwhile."

Members pictured are, from left to right, first row: Shannon Wineinger, Jami Judd, Holly Hadsall, and Kristy Gottlob; Second row: Deann Alvarado, Stephanie Hensley, Petra Estabrook, Deb Rutherford, Jacquie Brown, Traci Rohlman, Sharon Booher, Ed Hargrove, and Trisha Rutherford.

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SPIRIT QUAD

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Although being a member of the Spirit Squad may look easy, it is really a very tough job. It involves not only the act of cheering but also long hours of practice and a lot of self dedication and committment.

One such example of this committment is cheering for out of town games. The long bus ride to the game, the approximate four hours of cheering and then the long ride home is enough to tire a person out. Add a little homework and any type of a job and one hectic schedule had developed. The squad also emphasizes proper public presentation in and out of uniform.

But all the hard work pays off when the fun begins. This last year the Spirit Squad had plenty of fun things to keep them busy. Besides cheering at the home and away Tiger basketball games, the Spirit Squad held two cheerleading clinics for children of all ages. It gave the kids a chance to learn cheers and other aspects of the squad. Also the squad was invited to judge several try-outs in nearby towns such as Wellington and Cedarvale.

Members of the 1989-90 sqaud pictured are, from left to right, Bottom row: Lynyrd (Axel) Dates, Rosalinda Machado, David Dombaugh; Second row: Kellie Bond-Cheerleading Captain, Shawn



Leisinger-Yell Leader Captain, Loren Snedecker, Tammy Marshall; Top: Curtis Traffis. The sponsor for the Spirit Squad is Lisa Kahrs (not pictured).



TIGERETTES

After just two years at Cowley, the Tigerettes Dance Line has built a positive reputation for itself. This year's team grew to over twenty girls and the growth is expected to continue.

Along with the increased number of performers came an increased number of activities that the line took part in. Altogether the Tigerettes performed at fifteen basketball games, three parades, held three successful clinics and judged one dance tryout competition, not to mention spending one week in the summer with the Dallas Cowboy Cheerleaders.

Pictured are, from left to right, Front row: Kelli Godsey, Kris Simmons, Shannon Wineinger-Captain, Jacquie Brown-Liet., Mitzi Ramirez; Second row: Petra Estrabrook, Renee Holder, Shondra Pruitt, Sherri McGaughey, Deann Alvarado; Back row: Camille Boggs, Amy Adams-Liet., Sharlene Johnson, Kristi Gottlob, and Telisa Boline-Liet. Tigerette sponsor is Lana Kemp (not pictured).

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VICA

Vocational Industrial Clubs of America

The Industrial Technical (IT) section of VICA includes students in a wide variety of subjects. The IT section includes all students enrolled in a vocational program.

"VICA is a student club funded and primarily run by industry. The purpose is to create a better worker and develop leadership," sponsor Bob Boggs said.

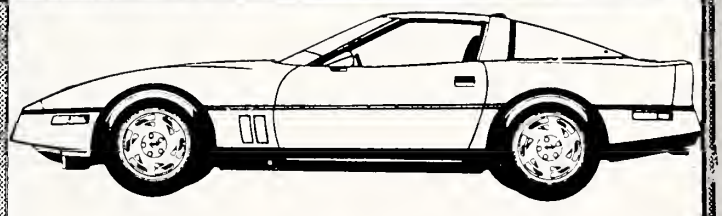
VICA students have attended the national VICA convention since 1983. In the past nine years Cowley has had one state president, one state vice-president and one national president.

Various fund raisers have been held to help pay for the trip expenses. These include: the Last Run Car Show, helping Kiwanis with the Arkalalah pancake feed and holding their own chili feed.

"In today's world people have to be able to speak and lead. An active student is a better student and being a VICA member looks good on a resume. VICA gives you a chance to prove yourself," Boggs said.

Club members pictured are, from left to right, Front row: Randy Parkes, Charles D. White, Doyle Hollingsworth, Mike Fagan, Jason Hensley, Brian Deal, Eric Heimer, Kirk Howell, Bert Cambell; Second row: Kevin Mitchell, Nick Larkin, John McDonald, John Wendinger, Ken Black, Jim Lipke, Devlin Mayfield and Shane Wickham.

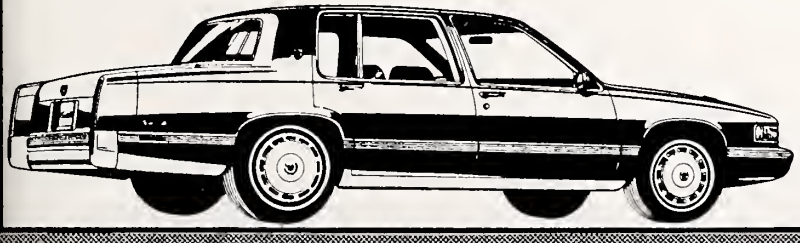
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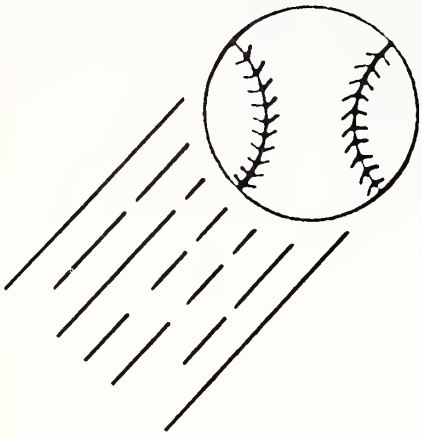
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Field of Dreams

by PAT OBLEY

To many people, baseball is indeed the American pastime. But for some people, it is hard to understand how such a kid's game could be catapulted into such a big business.

"Why are the baseball players so arrogant?" some ask. "Why don't they grow up?" others say.

Well, the answer to those questions can be found in the words of one of baseball's immortal figures - Shoeless Joe Jackson.

Jackson was well on his way to becoming the best player to ever step in the batter's box when suddenly he was banned from the game for life in the wake of the 1919 Black Sox scandal.

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Though he had no part in throwing the World Series that year (he batted a team-high .375), he did accept a payoff, which made his banning mandatory.

> *"I'm told that old men wake in their sleep and itch legs that have been dust for fifty years. That was me.*
> *"Years and years later, I'd wake with the smell of the ballpark in my nose and the cool of the grass on my feet.*
> *"The thrill of the grass."*
>
> *- Shoeless Joe Jackson*

Jackson once said that losing baseball was like, "having a part of me amputated, slick and smooth and painless.

"A friend of mine used to tell about the war (World War I), how him and a buddy was running across a field when a piece of shrapnel took his friend's head off, and how the friend ran, headless for several strides beford he fell.

"I'm told that old men wake in the night and scratch itchy legs that have been dust for fifty years. That was me.

"Years and years later, I'd wake in the night with the smell of the ballpark in my nose and the cool of the grass on my feet. The thrill of the grass..."

Those words are echoed in the movie "Field of Dreams," in which Shoeless Joe comes back to life and plays ball again in a present-day Iowa cornfield.

That is why baseball is so important - the smell of the ballpark and the thrill of the grass. That is also why the baseballers of Cowley County wake up every day and ply their trade.

Though it is not a cornfield, the City Ball Park on South Summit is the Tigers' field of dreams. On the venerable field, the Tigers gain more initiative and hone their fundamentals in order to take that next step - be it baseball or just life in general.

For catcher Silas Ashmore, it was the people he met that brought him to Cowley.

"For me, it was Coach (Dave) Burroughs that made the difference," said Ashmore. "I was transferring from K-State and he said that he was good friends with the K-State coach. I'm a catcher and he said that he admired catchers because he was one himself."

Rightfielder David Vesco said the offer to sharpen his skills at Cowley was too much to turn down.

"I got 20 different offers out of high school from colleges," Vesco said. "I chose the junior college because it was a



THE TIGERS, whose recent history has been bleak, have turned their fortunes around with last year's 29-20 mark. The 29 wins was tops in school history. (Photo by David Tobias).

good place to work on my techniques and fundamentals...I definitely get to do that."

The prospect of playing pro ball looms large on Vesco's horizon.

"Last year, I talked with scouts from Chicago, Philadelphia and Seattle, but I'm leaning towards the White Sox because I like them."

Showing that he is just as intelligent as he is talented, Vesco added, "for now, I use baseball to pay for my academics. I've received nine Division I (four-year schools) letters and I think that for now, I'll go to one of those (after Cowley)."

Although they look loose off the field, when the Tigers take the field for a game, all thoughts of what goes on off the field are erased. As an old baseball addage goes, "To forget about the world while between the white lines, is to be great."

"As soon as I go out on the field, I work on my glove," said pitcher Todd Reed. "As soon as you walk through the gate, you should be focused on what you have to do. As a pitcher, when I take the mound, all I think about is the catcher's glove and my glove and throwing strikes."

Ashmore echoed Reed. "When I get up there to bat, I focus all my attention to the person on the mound. I develop tunnel vision."

> ***"I think that everybody dreams of playing in the big leagues as a kid. It's certainly important to try."***
>
> ***- Todd Reed***

Perhaps all of the Cowley players will get their chance to move on. Perhaps not. But to play at Cowley means that there is a talent in that person waiting to show itself off under the sun.

At night, when the ballpark is empty, if a person walked onto the field, that person can sense the sounds and the smells of the ballpark - the fans cheering with a home run blast, the scent of popcorn, the sight of kids racing after a foul ball.

One can imagine the wondrous tension of a two-out, bottom of the ninth situation.

And of course, one can feel the cool of the grass at their feet...

The thrill of the grass...

If and when a person comes to grips with that image, that person can understand what baseball means to the players and the patrons of the game; how important it is for the Cowley players to lay their hopes and dreams on the line for a shot at "the show."

Reed said it best:

"I think that everybody dreams of playing in the big leagues as a kid. It's certainly important to try."

Old Shoeless himself couldn't put it any better.■



READY AND WAITING - Short stop Wendy Wilkenson makes the tag in the Lady Tiger's game against Kansas City. (Photo by David Holler)

Gunnin' for 30

Hargrove's Goals:

30 wins, Eastern Division, and Region VI title

by JAMI JUDD

For each new softball team coach Ed Hargrove recruits, he sets the same three goals: to win at least 30 games overall; to win the eastern division; and to win Region VI.

Hargrove always sets these priorities to give the team something to strive for but this year he truly believes his team has the talent to accomplish them.

The Cowley softball team opened their season on March 8 with a split against Conners State College, Warner, Okla. The Tigers won the first game 4-0, but lost the second 5-3.

"Actually we should have won both games but for our first time out we looked pretty good," freshman Stef Suderman said. "The first game we looked extremely sharp, but in the second game they got an early lead that we shouldn't have allowed."

"Our attitudes needed improvement. The potential of our team was overwhelming but we needed to be mentally prepared to play ball before we could physically perform successfully."

Amy Adams

During the season it was obvious to Hargrove which areas had seen the most improvement since the fall season.

"Our biggest improvement was our outfield defense. We did that by making some personnel changes," Hargrove said. "Pitching was also improved. Deb (Rutherford) was always pretty consistant and I expected her to have a good performance every time out, but the other three are now more consistant with throwing strikes than before."

But with the good, there was also some bad. Improvements had to be made in certain areas in order to be successful.

"We needed to be more fundamentally prepared. In games against good teams little things such as missing signals, fumbling balls, making errors in run-downs and not executing the first and third situations can kill you," Hargrove said. "Things I took for granted that the team would know, needed to be stressed more at practice."

The team saw the same aspects.

"Our attitudes needed improvement. The potential of our team was overwhelming but we needed to be mentally prepared to play ball before we could physically perform successfully," freshman Amy Adams said.

With stronger dedication and commitment the team was able to measure up to their ability later in the season.

"In the beginning, the girls were not playing the caliber of ball that they were capable of," said assistant coach Brian Bush.

During the season the team played in two tournaments, one at Johnson County and one at Manhattan. At both tournaments the Tigers faced teams from Iowa, Missouri, Oklahoma and Kansas.

"It was good for us to play teams out of our region because it let us see how we compared to programs from various states," Hargrove said.

The Region VI tournament was held in Hutchinson on May 4-5. The Tigers faced the teams in their eastern division, which included Allen County, Fort Scott, Johnson County, Kansas City and Neosho County, along with the western and independent divisions.

"Whoever wins the Region VI title will probably be one of the toughest teams at national competition. Our region is considered one of the strongest and has placed in the top five for the past two years," Hargrove said. "Hopefully this year that team will be us."■



CAUGHT IT - While playing second base , freshman Stef Suderman catches the ball to complete a specific defensive play for the Lady Tigers during the first home game of the season against Conners State College. The double-header resulted in a split. (Photo by David Tobias)



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Reaching for the Top (Again)



After winning the National Title last year, Larry Grose and the International Netters will battle the repeat jinx

by PAT OBLEY

The men's tennis team really had to wonder if there was going to be a season in the early going this year.

The season started on March 12, but through April 1, the Tiger squad had only played three of a scheduled six matches.

One match was rained out, one was snowed out and one match was iced out. The match against Washburn University in Topeka had to be delayed until 9 p.m. and moved inside due to sleet.

None-the-less, everyone in tennis circles knew how good the Tigers would be - since they won the National Junior College Title last year.

On this year's team, Dan MacDonald and Tim Shanahan lead a group of globetrotters who are determined to reach that pinnacle again.

To do so, tennis coach Larry Grose said that the sophomores lead by example.

"They are using their experience from last year as a motivator to the new kids," Grose said.

Also being used as a motivator is a rugged schedule. Of the 17 Tiger opponents this year, 13 are four-year colleges. Among those are NCAA Division I schools Oklahoma and Southwest Missouri.

"Our schedule is conducive for us," said Grose. "It's worked out beautifully, both for us and the other schools.

"Part of the reason they (the four-year schools) schedule us is that they feel like they will get a good workout. Another reason is that by playing us, they'll get a good look at our sophomores and our freshmen who will be sophomores."

Recruiting for this year's team hasn't been relegated to just Kansas...or the United States for that matter. This year's team boasts two Australians, a South African and another player from Spain.

A natural assumption about playing four-year schools is perhaps the bigger schools may look down on the two-year school, but Grose says he doesn't feel that animosity.

"Maybe they do (look down on us), but I don't feel it, and I don't think that I have that feeling either.

"Actually, I think those coaches and I have a mutual camaraderie. Like I said, they have those two selfish reason for playing us - the workout they'll get and the look at our sophomores for recruitment purposes."

Speaking of recruitment, Grose said last year's championship has helped out a lot in his own recruiting.

"Our recruitment for this year was great. Winning the title made it a lot easier to recruit."

And the recruitment hasn't been relegated to Kansas either...or America for that matter.

This year's team boasts two Australians, a South African and another player from Spain.

For all the advantages there are with having a team of international players, there are disadvantages. George Mongay, the player from Spain, was ordered back to Spain by the military with which he must serve a mandatory year in service.

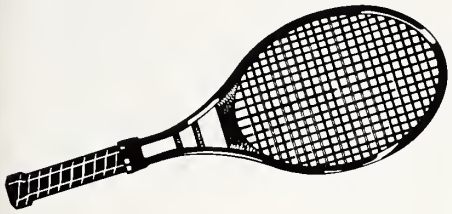
Grose said that the departure of Mongay will hurt to an extent, but shouldn't be damaging in the long run.

"George was a safety valve for us," Grose said. "It won't hurt in that our backup player to him was just as talented,

but it will hurt because now we don't have a substitute.

"I think that we'll be okay though. Like I told the players, we won it all last year with just six players. We can do it again."

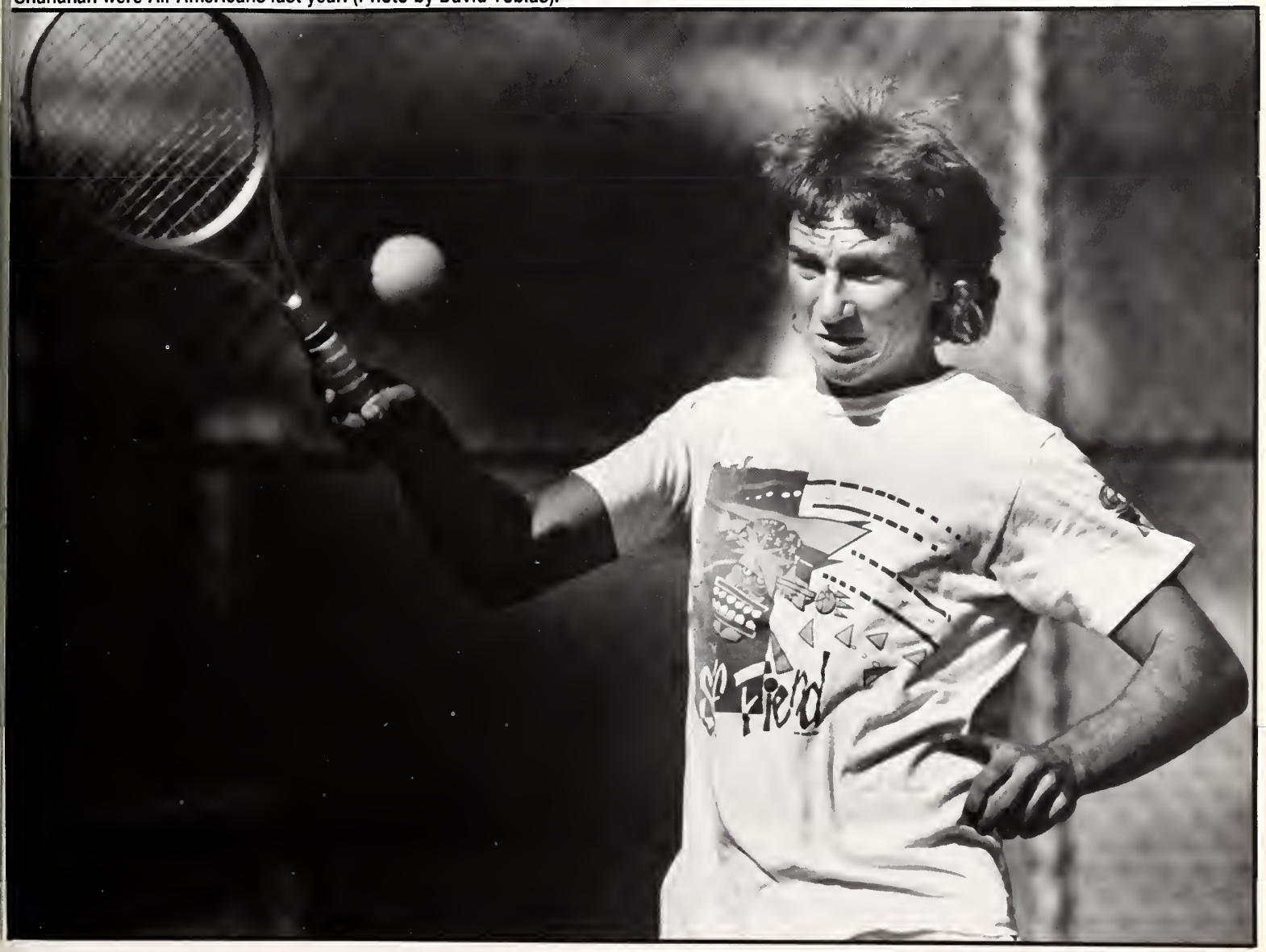
Region VI championships will be held at Johnson County May 4 &5, and the national tourney is set to commence on May 21 in Tyler, Tex.■



Cowley Tennis All-Americans

Bill Marsh	1972
Gary Cannon	1974
Gary Cannon	1975
Tim Shanahan	*1988*
Bill Shaw	1988
Doug Owen	1988
Jason Grose	1988
Dan MacDonald	*1988*
Eric Wedemeyer	1988

DAN MACDONALD, along with Tim Shanahan, will lead the Cowley County men's tennis team this year. Both MacDonald (shown below) and Shanahan were All-Americans last year. (Photo by David Tobias).



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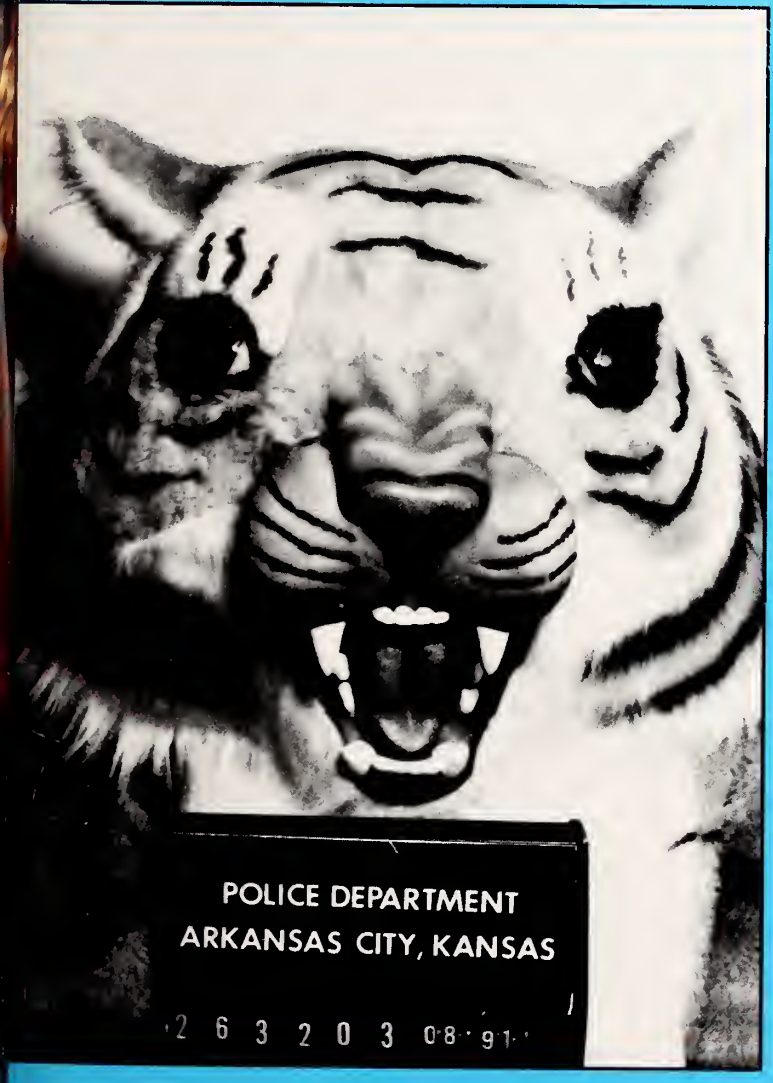

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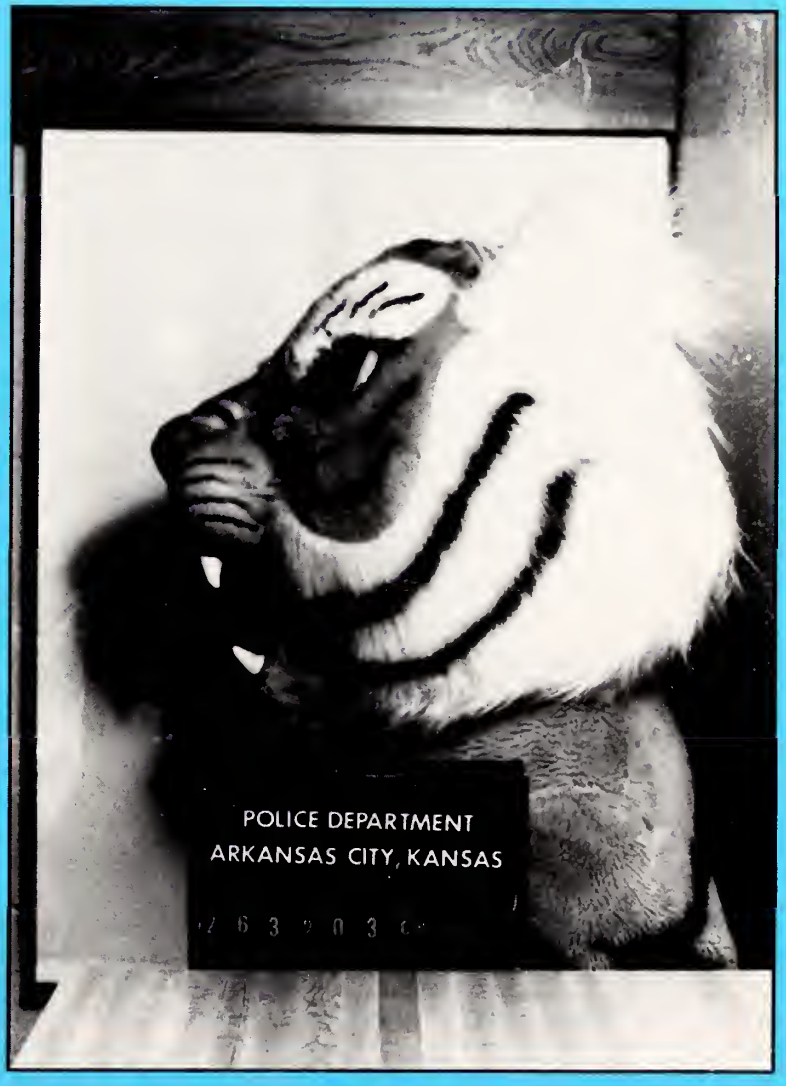
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Did You Get Mugged at Cowley?

From the Editor

I had a funny sort of flashback the other day, over spring break. I went trout fishing in Missouri and as I stood on the bank of this stream contemplating the characteristics of a brown irrestible over those of a black royal humppy (both are fishing flies), a really strange thought came to my mind - how similar magazine production was to fishing.

Some days the fish seem to jump out of the water, eager to be placed on your stringer and taken home to be frozen for the next three years, or until your mother cleans out the deep freeze, (I'm not much of a fish eater). The same is true in putting a magazine together. Some days the thoughts seem to flow onto the paper as though you were copying them word for word from a book. The layout and design seems to simply materialize before you and you don't drop a single bottle of layout glue on the floor.

Other days however the fish don't seem to want to bite anything but whatever the guy standing beside you has on his line. I mean you couldn't coax them on your line with a worm the size of a garden hose. The same is of course also the case in putting a magazine together. Some days you sit for literally hours on end in front of a typewriter and not a word comes to mind. The layout seems to stare up at you from the light board until the tiny pica squares seem to merge together. You inevitably drop two or three bottles of glue, which has roughly the same consistency as snot, on the ground which then shatters and gets all over your shoes.

This year has had its share of both these types of days, though it seems I have more glue on my shoes this year than I did last. Aside from the usual problems, we've had to deal with things such as equipment failures, an editor, God bless her, who became pregnant and was not able to fulfill her duties, a few run in's with the law, as well as staff members who seemed to forget they were staff members. Also you may or may not have noticed but this is the third issue not the forth that has been put out this year. Included in the small newspaper issue are a few stories that normally would have not been included in a PULSE issue.

All of the gripes aside it has been fun. The issue you hold in your hands is the blood, sweat and tears of ten people who have slaved and loved it. So we all hope you enjoy, have a great summer, and remember sometimes you've got to spill a little glue to catch a few fish.



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Get Mugged

Gettin' Mugged: Tony the Tiger, Cowley's mascot, graces our cover this issue. Not wanting to be left out, Tony takes the "Gettin' Mugged" idea literally.
The mugshot issue of the PULSE gives the students of Cowley the chance to leave their mark by way of a photo.
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The good of the one overridden for the good of the many

By Pat Obley

From seemingly nowhere came a man dressed in military fatigues with a vision of a future where the Arab world was united. He was armed with a million-man, Soviet made army and a knack for rhetoric reminiscent of Adolph Hitler.

In the end though, he and his country met the same fate as the German dictator.

On Jan. 16, 1991, the world went to war against Saddam Hussein's Iraq. A mere 43 days later, the war ended, the loser humiliated and utterly destroyed.

It is estimated that 100,000 Iraqi soldiers died in the sands of the Middle East, while under 150 Allied soldiers met the same fate, a number that shocked both sides.

Iraq was left in ruins, its government gone, its economic infrastructure shaken and its people's will broken. Many holy Muslim sites were destroyed, electricity was out, all the amenities that made life livable were no longer there for the Iraqi people, prompting them to ask candidly on foreign television, "Is this worth it?"

In the future, many school children may ask that same question. Wars of the past were fought for the purposes of stopping a power hungry dictator from world domination. The Vietnam war shattered the image that war was a noble deed, a white horse in a time of darkness.

The Gulf War, though providing the chance for America to rebuild the confidence lost by the Vietnam conflict, may unfortunately be remembered for one petty reason - oil.

Though the war was fought to liberate a country that was under the tyranny of a bully, the future might point out that the Soviet Union's Baltic republics were fighting the same battles.

The Baltics were fighting for freedom and democracy. Kuwait just wanted things the way they were before the whole situation arose - a patriarchal monarchy that shunned women from being in the forefront.

On paper, it can be construed that the war was fought to keep the world's life line out of the bad guy's hands. Oil will not always be the fuel for man's creations, in fact, not until the advent of the automobile did the black goop get a chance. Oil will be obsolete as soon as the next source becomes readily available from the day's technology, whether it be the sun, the wind, nuclear power or anything else.

One thing that will no doubt be remembered is what Hussein did during those seven months. His tirade shattered a world on the verge of peace. Just months before, the wave of freedom swept across Europe and Africa. That stanchion of the Cold War, the Berlin Wall, was ripped down and Germany, formally the hated country, became everyone's darling when they reunited.

The Soviet Union began bowing to the internal wave of democracy there, allowing foreign enterprises such as MacDonalds and Pizza Hut to franchise in Moscow. Even vote in a popular election was feasible, as offered by the 1990 Nobel Peace Prize winner Mikhail Gorbachev, the Soviet President.

Iraq's outburst reminded the world that being swept away in the euphoria of freedom can blind the world just long enough to let bloody history repeat itself.

Another thing remembered will be remembered first hand by many generations to come - Hussein's scorched earth policy.

Scientist believe that it will be at least 200 years before the Persian Gulf will recover from the massive oil spills that Iraq unleashed. The images of animals fighting for life amidst black sludge will haunt all those who are witness.

There was no military purpose for the spill according to military experts, yet it was done anyway, prompting many to think that the real loser of the War was nature.

The interruption of normal life affected hundreds of thousands in this country, included among those the families of Cowley students Sharlene Johnson, Sean Price, Ernie Tousley, Brad Travis and Eric Hunt.

But the most important of things remembered might only be remembered by the few, rather than the many.

The families of the 100,150 who died in the war will be scarred forever. Not just this lifetime, all generations to come.

For billions of years, planet Earth has circled a lonely sun, changing when change was needed, following its own indelible path of evolution.

In just a mere portion of a year's time, not even a tick on the universal clock, mankind altered that course.

Only time can tell if the Gulf War was for better or for worse. Man can make the change be for the better if he makes the right decisions. Let's all hope he does.

"Quick, massive, decisive"

It was far quicker and much less painful than anyone could have expected.

Operation Desert Storm, the military campaign designed to oust Iraq from Kuwait, reached its final act. After 39 days of a relentless air attack, the ground initiative was launched - and it was every bit what President George Bush called it, "Quick, massive, decisive."

100 hours after the ground attack began, the war ended.

Aug. 3-Jan. 15:

As President Bush created a 38-nation coalition to oppose Iraq, U.S. commanders deployed the largest concentration of military might since World War II. Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf massed his troops directly south of Kuwait's border, tricking the Iraqis into guarding against a massive frontal attack.

Jan. 16-Feb. 23:

U.S., British and French forces, including the 82nd and 101st Airborne troops and the armored U.S. VII Corps, secretly shifted west along Iraq's undefended border. Its Air Force wiped out, Iraq could not detect Schwarzkopf preparations for his assault plan: a flanking maneuver around the fortified front lines.

The Soviet Union quickly became aware of the troop movements through reconasance satellites, but instead of warning the Iraqis like the U.S. feared, Mikhail Gorbachev set out to find a diplomatic solution to what had become Operation Desert Storm.

Feb. 23:

At 7 p.m. (4 a.m. Feb. 24 gulf time), Saudi troops and U.S. Marines drove through Iraqi lines into Kuwait, luring the enemy into thinking this was the main assault. Meanwhile, the XVIII Corps to the west moved by air and ground into Iraq, setting up huge fuel and supply stations deep in the desert.

Racing farther north to the Tigris-Euphrates Valley -100 miles from Baghdad - the 101st Airborne blocked the retreating Iraqis. The VII Corps and Pan-Arab forces led ground assaults into Iraq and Kuwait.

Feb. 25-28:

The threat of a giant amphibious Marine assault kept Iraqi troops pinned down in Kuwait while allied forces from the west systematically destroyed the outflanked Republican guard and other Iraqi units in several fierce clashes.

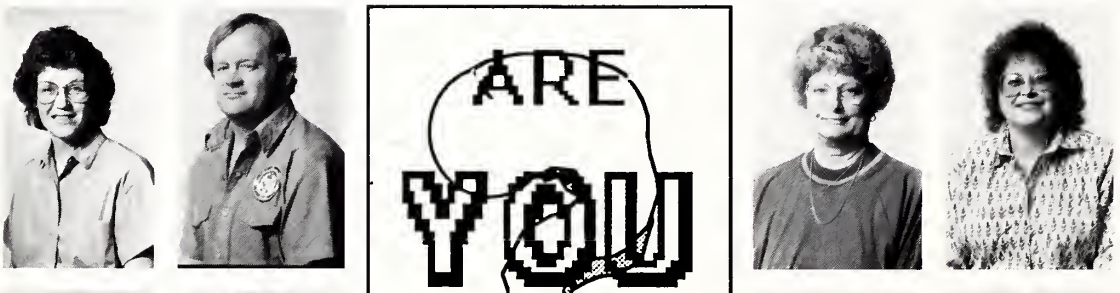
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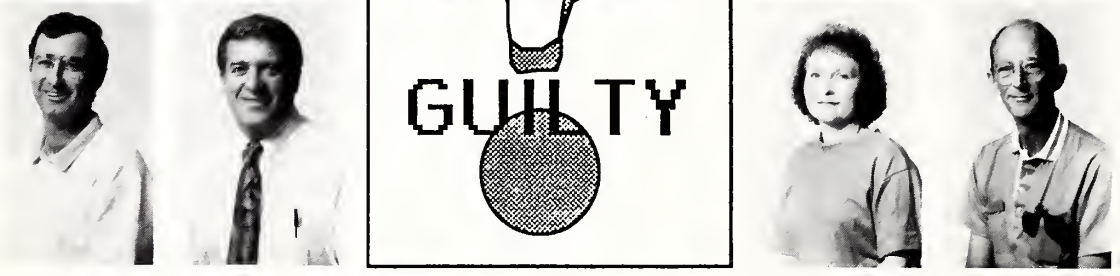
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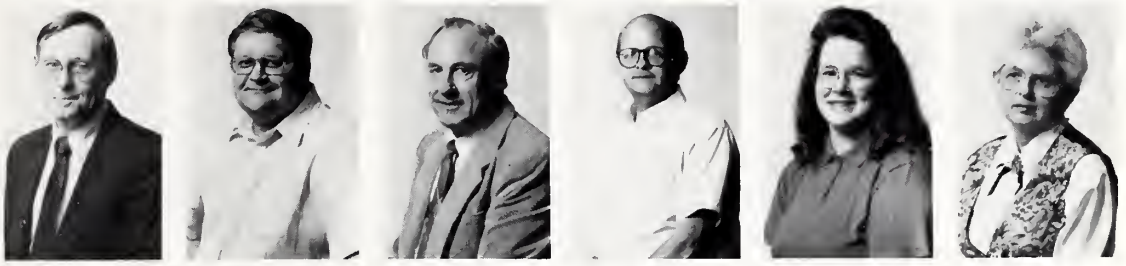
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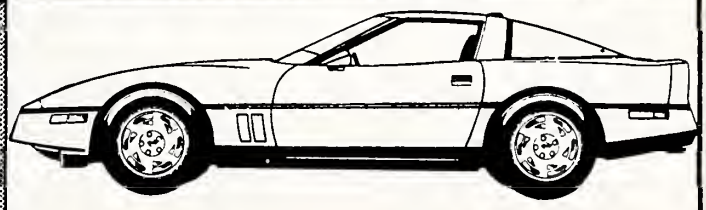
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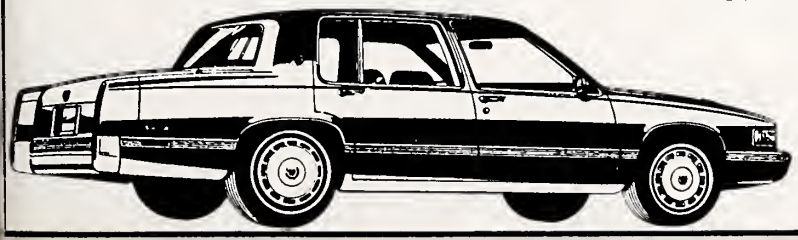
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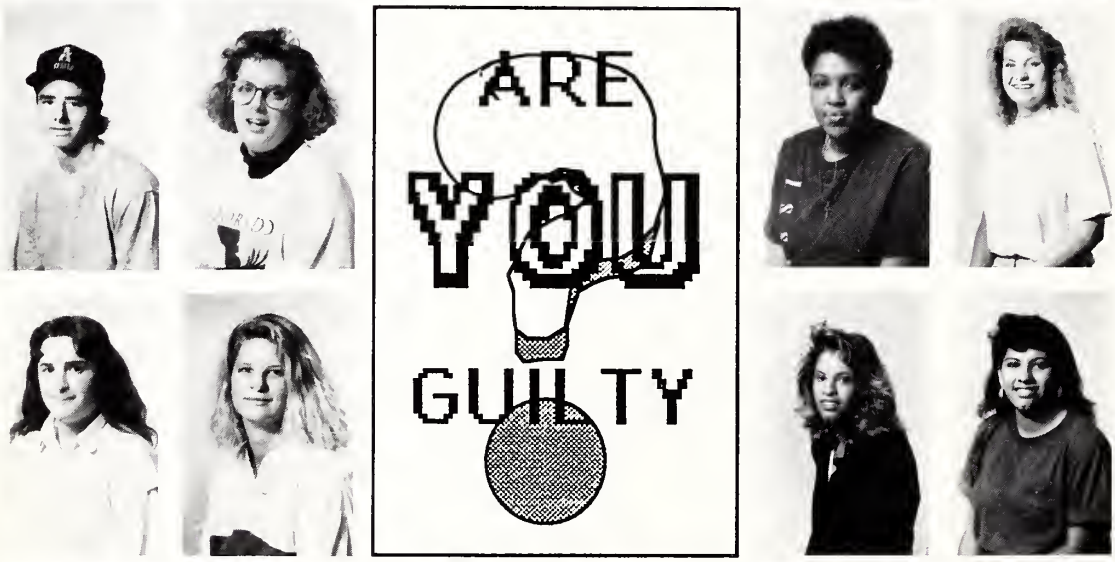
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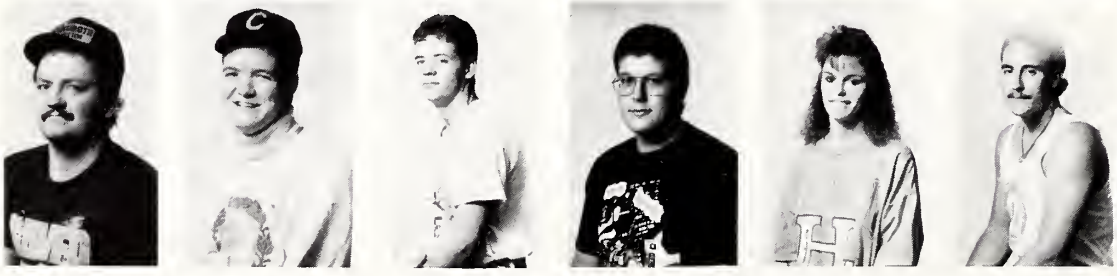


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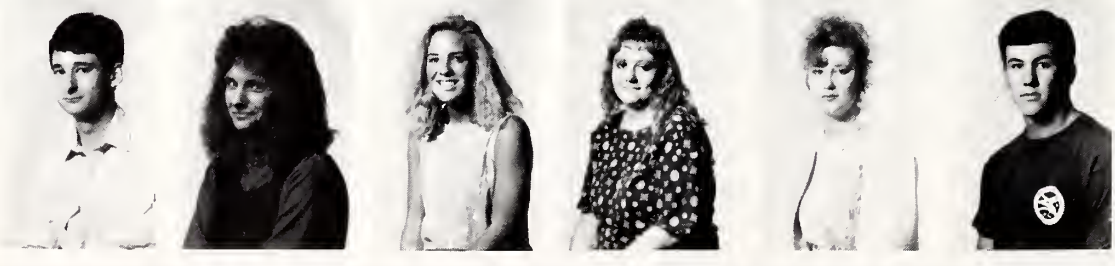


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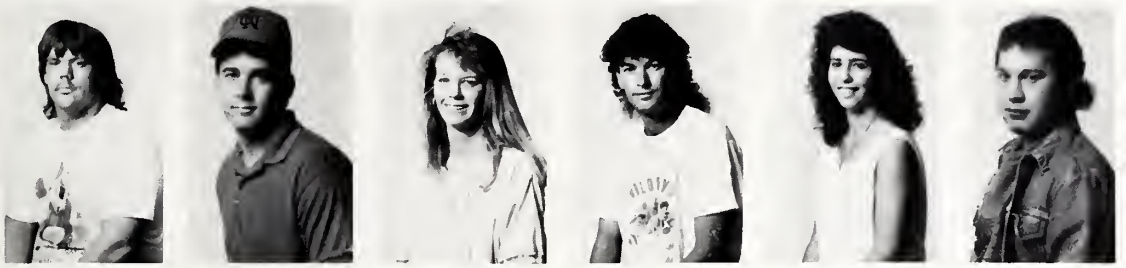
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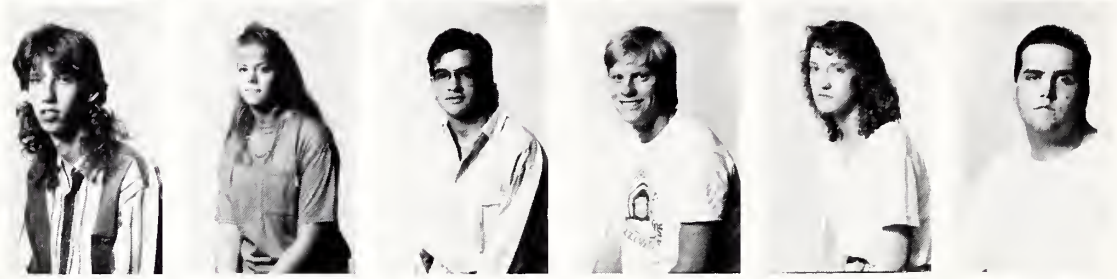
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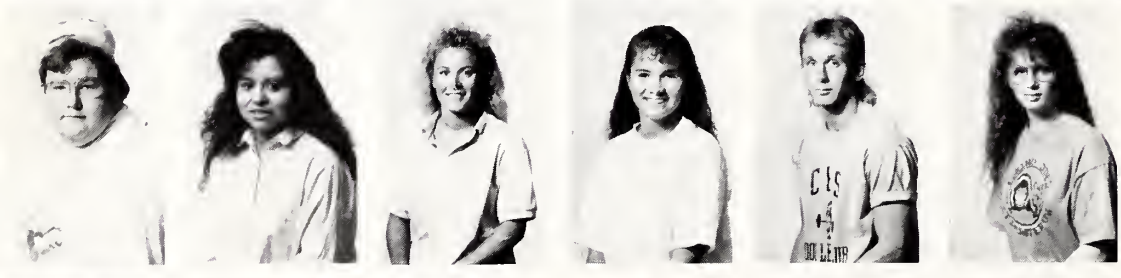
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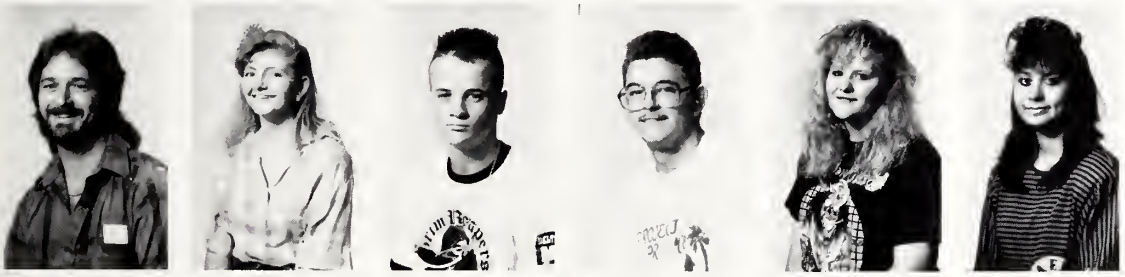
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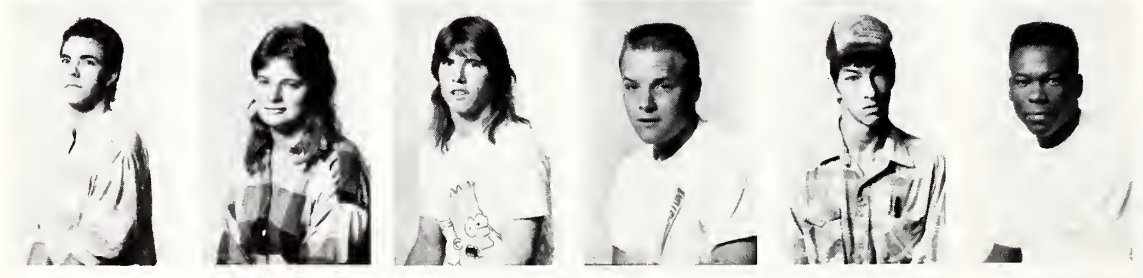
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Instructors awarded

by Tina Phillips
and Ted Kadau

Five instructors from Cowley County Community College have been selected to be recipients of the 1991 National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development (NISOD) Excellence Award.

Mike Watters, social science department chairman; Kevin Pennington, natural science instructor; Dejon Ewing, drama instructor; Sue Darby, humanities instructor; and Richard Tredway, business department chairman, have all been recognized for their contributions to teaching and learning.

These individuals recieved their 1991 NISOD Excellence Awards at a special ceremony March 22 at the University of Texas at Austin. There they received specially cast medallions.

Winners were nominated by the president of the college and NISOD. Tredway has been with Cowley for 24 years teaching agricultural and business classes.

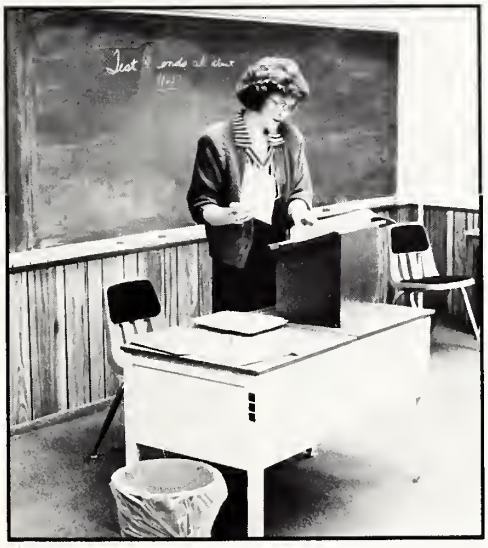
"The NISOD award is for teachers who have gone above and beyond the call of duty," said Dr. Pat J. Mc Atee, college president.

Teachers who meet the criteria for the award such as Master Teacher or receive special recognition are the ones nominated for the NISOD award.

Each spring at the international meeting in Texas instructors share teaching techniques and methods.

"The purpose for the NISOD award is to recognize the abilities of quality professionals," said Dr. McAtee.

Dejon Ewing

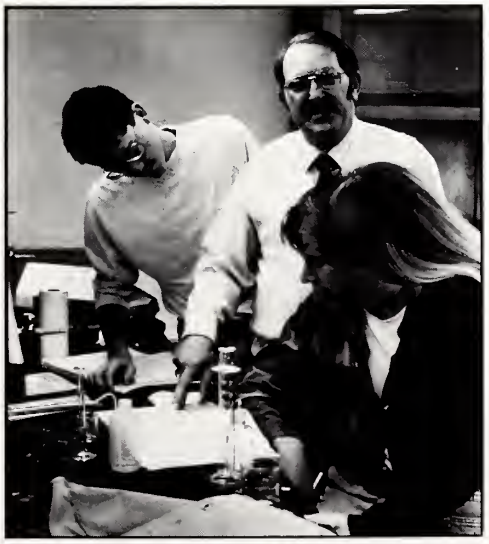


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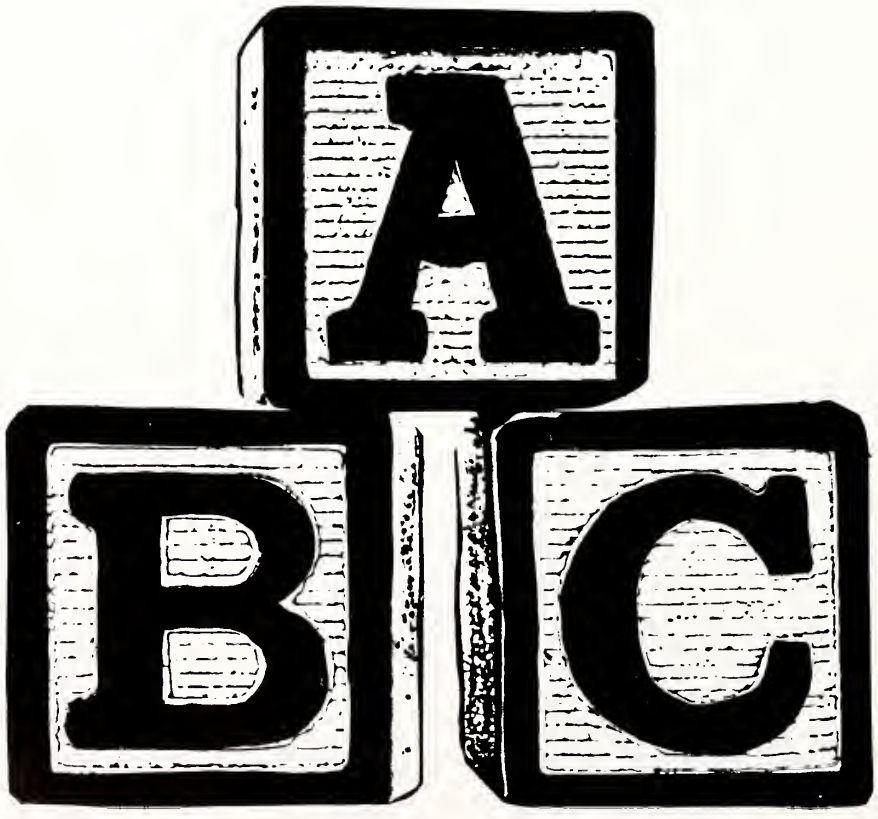
Mike Watters



Richard Tredway

Unmarried and Pregnant?

Know the Facts



by Ted Kadau

Motherhood is one of the most joyous and happy times in a woman's life. She is, in reality, a provider of the most precious gift of all - life.

But for more and more young women every year, the joyful act of childbearing has turned sour. This is due entirely to a problem that is as old as conception itself, but until the last 15-20 years has usually been pushed into a dark corner, kept in the attic or shipped off to a distant relative in another state.

The problem is that of an unwanted pregnancy. It's not only a problem that effects the mother but also society as a whole. It is the cause of battles over the issue of abortion, as well as the dark hole that millions of tax dollars go into every year.

But what can the woman who suddenly finds herself in this position do? What choices does she have?

Once an unmarried woman finds out she is pregnant she usually has three choices - none are easy.

The first of these is to carry the child to term and then keep the child to raise. This solution is not the easiest when factors such as financial, psychological and social are heaped upon the girl and often the strain is substantial.

Another choice is adoption. This involves carrying the child to term and then, usually with the aid of an agency, give the child to another couple.

The third solution is that of abortion. Though many do not even consider this to be a solution, ever since it's legalization abortion has become commonplace. The process of the abortion consists of a procedure that is usually done at a specialized clinic or hospital.

Abortion is especially prevalent

in the state of Kansas as there are no restrictions that govern the process, including age restrictions and development time limits.

Though an unwanted pregnancy is a very hard hill to climb, there do exist some services that offer help in this time of doubt and confusion. Services such as Birthright and Family Life Services in Ark City, and the Health Services office right here at the college, cost very little and are confidential.

Brian Feldhus, Executive Director at Family Life Services said "We deal with women between the ages of 13 and 39, they'll come in and tell us they think they may be pregnant. The first thing we'll do is to suggest they have a pregnancy test run. Then we give them different literature that deals with the choices they have available to them. The tests are free. If they find that they are pregnant we then deal with different types of counseling."

Aside from counseling, the Family Life Services personnel also deal with factors outside of the girls physical needs.

"We also deal in such things as helping the girls to tell their parents about the pregnancy, as well as counseling that involves the father of the child. However we do not find that many of the fathers come in with the girls. Only about five out of every 100 do come in and they mostly have the attitude that it is not their problem and that they want no part in the entire counseling process. We also have a supply of maternity clothes in case the girls need them. We really try to just do all that we can to help the girls get through the ordeal as easily as possible," Feldhus said.

"Our real emphasis is on people not politics," he said "The big thing is that there is a need for a very concerned effort for the girls we get away from the prejudiced and just try to help the people."

Family Life Services also counsels families outside the subject of pregancy and helps to run tests for the HIV virus as well as other sexually transmitted diseases.

One organization that deals specifically with the problem of unwanted pregnancies is Birthright. With three full time volunteers Birthright is funded entirely by donations and helps girls as well as their families through this rough time.

Ruthann Wasco, who is the volunteer office manager and head of the board of directors at Birthright said "We offer such services as free urine pregnancy tests, prenatal information on all of the alternatives that are available to the girls, as well as maternity clothes if they are needed." Birthright also offers a very complete counseling program.

"We council the girls by explaining to them their responsibilities and have also assisted when the time comes to tell the parents of the girl about her pregnancy," Wasco said. If it is determined that a girl is indeed pregnant Birthright can then refer the girls to certain programs they need to help them in this time.

"We can put them in touch with programs such as the SRS, the Hospital, or a program called W.I.C. (Woman, Infant, Children)." Wasco said.

(*Information on the W.I.C. program can be found at the Cowley County Mental Health Office.)

Though both of the organizations provide excellent services as well as counseling, some may feel that more a more personal atmosphere is needed. For this, the Health Services Center is avalible. Health nurse Vicki Ayers offers excellent services in an atmosphere that many are already used to.

"Hugs are free, and usually puts the entire situation in a better light. If a girl comes in and thinks she might be pregnant I'll offer to run a pregnancy test. These cost $4 and are the same ones that the hospital uses. They are 99% accurate."

If the girl is indeed pregnant, the Health Services Center has a limited system of counseling available, but does try to help in any way they can.

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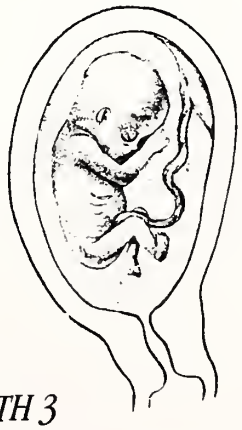


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Illustration by Jason Skinner

"I'll usually ask them a few questions to try to get an idea of what they want to do and to try to find out what type of situation they are in. If the father is willing to come in I'll sit down with both of them and we'll try to talk it out and see what would be best. I have a full reference file, as well as a full referral system. I can refer them to such programs as Planned Parenthood or the County Health Services. In many situations I'll refer them to their family physician or to one at the clinic here in Ark City. If an obstetrician is available I'll help them to get an appointment with one here in town."

The decision is left up to the individual as to how the pregnancy will be handled, Ayers has a complete file of literature on the different choices available to a mother.

"The majority of the mothers decide to keep the babies, abortions are usually second and adoption is third. I get an enormous amount of letters from parents who want to adopt and for this reason I will offer this as a good option. I have never seen a girl who has made the decision that was wrong for her," Ayers said.

Aside from the girls who come in with unwanted pregnancies,



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Ayers also gets many women who are in need of help having children.

"I get a very large number of older and married women who need help with having children. They come in and we talk about the problems they are having and if I can, I'll help them to find help with the situation with things such as fertility pills and so on."

More and more mothers every year are deciding that the path to take when the problem of an unwanted pregnancy faces them is the decision to keep and raise the baby. It's a decision that is profoundly personal, as well as extraordinarily difficult to make.

Janea,(not her real name) who is both a single parent, as well as a student here at Cowley, made this decision.

"I was extremely scared when I found out that I was pregnant. I had no idea how I was going to raise the child, how I would tell my parents or how I would be able to financially afford to raise the child. For about two days I seriously considered having an abortion, then I realized that all of the reasons I was thinking of having an abortion were selfish ones. So very soon after I found out I was pregnant I decided to keep the baby. This decision I made on my own."

Many mothers of unplanned babies would probably say that telling their parents was one of the hardest parts of the entire ordeal. This was no different for Janea.

"I moved home and I really think that my mother suspected that I was pregnant . Finally one day she confronted me about it. By this time I was about three months pregnant. She asked me if I thought I wanted to have an abortion. I told her that I'd already made the decision not too. She told me that she and my father would help me out in any way they could."

As in many cases, Janea decided right off that she did not want the biological father involved with either raising the child or helping to support it.

"It didn't take me long to realize that I did not want his help in any way. I had been in love with him at one time, but my feelings changed and I knew he was not the one for either myself or my child," Janea said, "He does know about the child, however we don't stay in touch now. I plan on telling my child some day. It just seemed to me that anyone can be a biological father, but not everyone can be a real father."

The future for Janea however looks bright.

"I plan to finish school and then go to work as a radiologist. I'm going to be getting married next summer and I'd like to have more children some day. I wish that I could have waited but I do not regret having my child. I just am very thankful that my family and friends have been so supportive I feel like I've been pretty lucky."

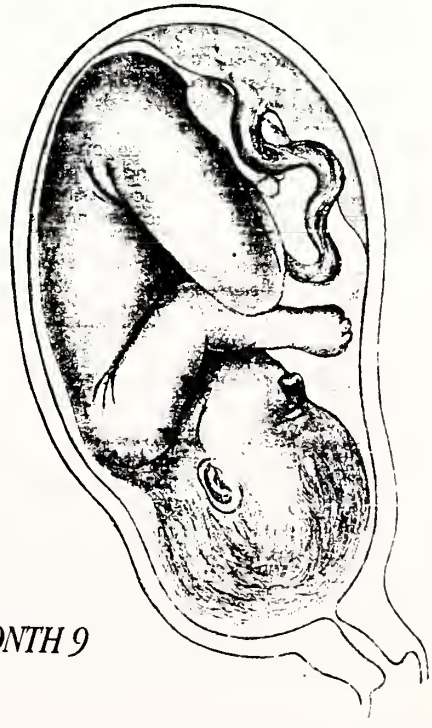
Although , teen pregnancy is a paticularly large problem in todays society, there is also the problem of prejudice toward those young women. Ayers summed up the situation in a few words. "I tell a girl who is preganant that it does not make her a bad person, it happenes to a lot of people, it is not the end of the world."



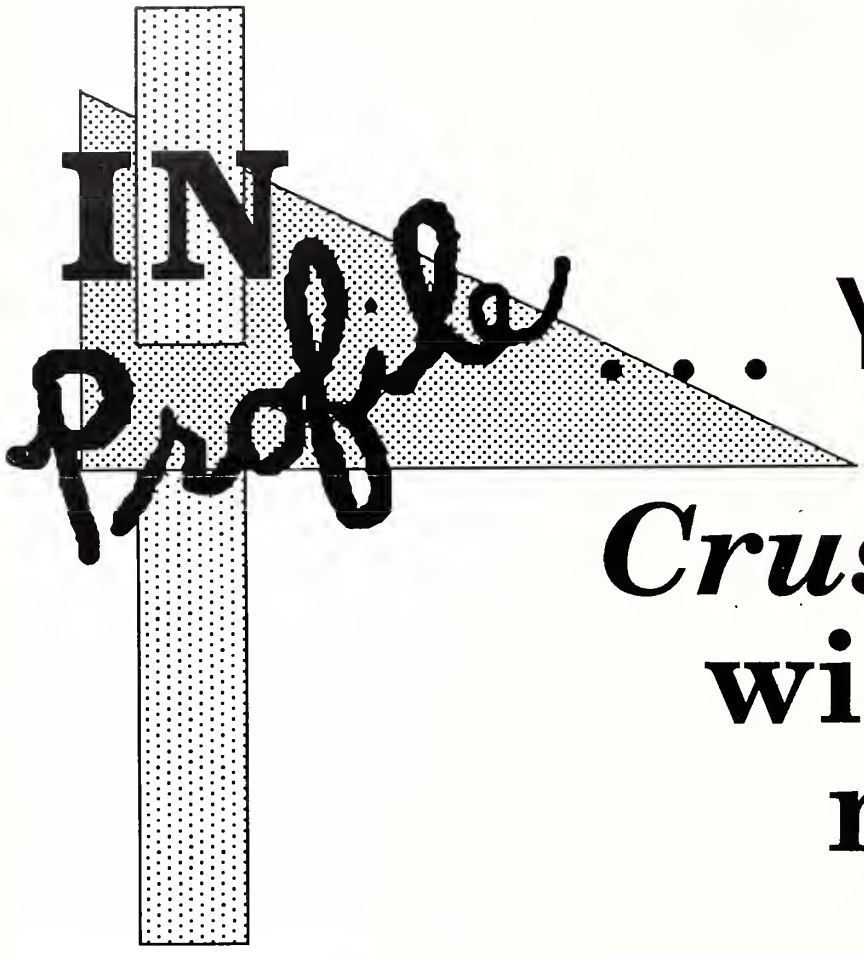
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Yvette Cruse

Crusen' with the music

by Yvonne Branine

Yvette Cruse is new to Cowley County Community College and new to Arkansas City. Cruse teaches music appreciation, concert choir, Cowley Co singers and 19 private voice students.

"I hope to be here at Cowley for a long while. I much more prefer to teach college. The students here work hard and the staff is nice. I feel I am beginning to grow professionally again here," Cruse said.

Cruse's hometown is Whitecloud, which is located in the far northeast corner of the state. She attended elementary school, high school and junior college in nearby Highland.

After completing her associate of arts degree at Highland Junior College, Cruse attended the University of Kansas and earned a bachelor's of music education. She has plans to start on a master's degree at Wichita State University this coming summer.

After completing her bachelor's degree, Cruse got her first job in Topeka, at Highland Park Elementary and Eisenhower Middle School. She taught there for one year and then was transferred to Highland Park High School in the same school system. She taught there for four years before coming to Cowley.

Cruse grew in experience at Highland Park, which was predominately minority students. She was in a teaching position where no other teacher had ever stayed for more than one year.

"I had some kids coming to class smelling like liqour or pot. They were dealing with serious problems so the students themselves were difficult to deal with. I felt like more of a babysitter than a teacher at times," she said. "It was frustrating to see star search talent being wasted in the high school. I went into a messed up program but left it a better one.

It was hard to leave the job because of the kids. It was a very emotional thing, but I wanted other things for myself. It was really the natural thing to come to a college to teach, moving up from elementary and middle school to high school teaching and now Cowley. I am excited about coming to Cowley."

"My goal is to pick up where our last music teacher, Connie Havercamp, left off. Because she had done lots of recruiting Connie built a good foundation for me."

Cruse has been friends with Havercamp for several years and

said Havercamp is the c..e who gave her the idea to move to college teaching.

"Connie told me how much she enjoyed teaching at Cowley and I thought this age of students would be good for me and myself good for them.

"This new job has been a challenge because of the distance from my loved ones and the extra work involved in preparing lectures for music appreciation class, but my stress level is down. This is a relaxed community and school. The days pass by quickly and the first semester has flown by. I'm very comfortable here and this is really the choice job for me," Cruse said.

Cruse is excited and encouraged by the interest and growth in music classes and activities.

"The concert choir is close to 30 students and growing. In a matter of a year I anticipate 50 voices in the choir and also having to turn down talents for shows because of the number auditioning. The students this year have worked really hard and I work them hard. Some of them call me by my first name but we still keep a student/teacher relationship and they respect me," she said.

Another part of Cruse's life has been participation in beauty pageants. In 1980, Cruse was the first runner up in the Miss N.E. Kansas pageant, third runner up in Miss Topeka pageant in 1981 and second runner up in the Miss Kansas Fever all black pageant in 1983. Cruse won scholarship money from all of the pageants and was selected as Miss Congeniality.

Cruse has a strong concern for students of all ages, from public school to the college years but her particular message to Cowley is: "I want to encourage Cowley students to work hard while they're here and set goals and make plans to do something when they leave. I know education doesn't have to stop at junior college - set higher goals. You have the rest of your life to work. It's important to go to school.

"I attended community college on a basketball scholarship so I had to practice a lot. I was also in concert show choir, played sax in the stage band,was captain of the pom-pom squad and a cheerleader. My point in saying all of that is that its possible to participate in all of these things and still keep up your grades, keep your scholarship and graduate. Enjoy these years of your life in doing creative, constructive, fun things. At this point my college years were some of the best years of my life, " Cruse said.

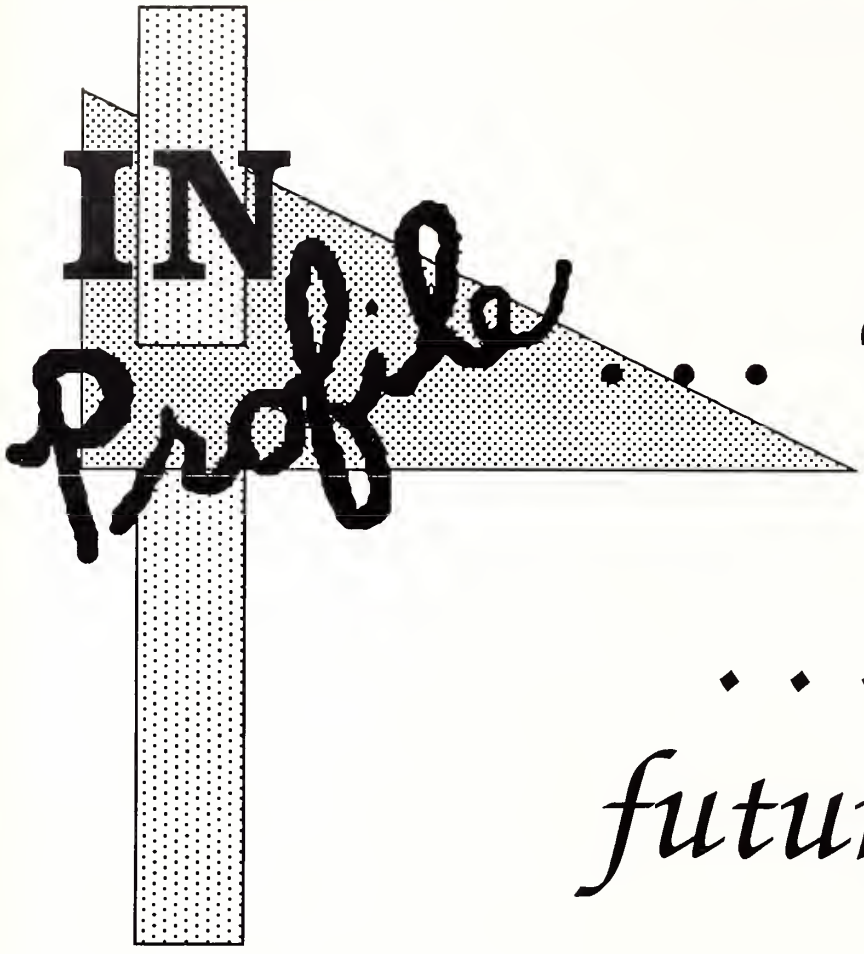
Cruse has a bright outlook on the future with this time in her life being the start of a new job, new home and a new decade of her life.

"I feel like I am getting a settled life and getting my life back on track now.

"Everyone here at Cowley has been very helpful I feel good about my job and I feel I have a good start. I am going to continue to try and do the best I can do."



CRUISIN' TO THE MUSIC - Vocal music instructor Yvette Cruse keeps busy with classes during her first year at Cowley.



Brett Gottlob . . . has his future in hand

by Tina Bodkins

"I think that if students don't want an education they shouldn't go to college... I don't like to see people not wanting to learn."

The name Brett Gottlob is quite familiar through the halls of Cowley County Community College to both students and staff.

Gottlob was raised on a farm northwest of Arkansas City. "I've grown up helping my family with our farm," Gottlob said. "When I was ten years old I bought my dad's flock of sheep and raised them for my own profit. Since I was already doing the chores, the profit from them helped put me through school. "When I was busy my mom and dad helped me by doing my chores."

Gottlob feels that keeping busy and not having a lot of spare time to be lazy taught him responsibility.

Currently Gottlob keeps busy as a member of many clubs and organizations through both the college and community. He is a member of SGA, Phi Theta Kappa, ADAAC, Student Ambassadors and Student Affairs. He is also a committe member for Focus on the Future, a joint effort between the Winfield and Arkansas City Chambers of Commerce.

Gottlob was also chosen as the October Student of the Month for CCCC.

Gottlob has always kept busy. In high school he was a member of the Arkansas City high school varsity wrestling team. He assisted in capturing two class 5A State Championship titles. Gottlob was also a member of the Arkansas City Chapter of Future Farmers of America, holding two presidency terms, and a member of the Cameron 4-H club of Cowley County.

"FFA and 4-H helped me with my public speaking and leadership skills." Gottlob said.

He was also a member of Student Council, and National Honor Society - all preparing him for his future. "I've pretty much accomplished everything I wanted to," he said.

Gottlob has not only accomplished a lot, but plans to accomplish a lot more in the future. After graduating from CCCC with a degree in business, Gottlob plans to pursue a bachelor's degree and go on to law school. He then plans to go on to get his CPA.

"After Cowley it'll take 8-10 more years, depending on if I stop to work so that I can go on," Gottlob said. "I'm not sure yet where I want to transfer because I don't know what kind of money I can get."

Gottlob said he would like to attend Georgetown University in Washington D.C., "I went on the National Conference Program trip and I feel that might be what makes me want to go to Georgetown, because I visited the campus."

"Outside of school and work I like playing basketball and wrestling. Once and a while I go back to the high school for their practices."

In 1989 Gottlob received the Outstanding Student of Arkansas City award sponsored by Arkansas City to recognize students from the middle school, high school and Cowley students.

When choosing colleges, Gottlob chose Cowley because he felt that faculty made him "feel better and more confident" about himself. "Cowley is a great school to start at," he said.

Gottlob has some advice to future and present students. "I think that if students don't want an education they shouldn't go to college. If they came they ought to try and learn something. I don't like to see people not wanting to learn!"



LOOKING STUDIUS - Brett Gottlob, CCCC student

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Act One



With a combination of hard work and enthusiasm the ACT ONE theater club made this a great year for thespians at Cowley. The productions "Steel Magnolias" and "Little Shop of Horrors," plus "Puttin on the hits" lip synch contest and the annual "Cinderfella" pageant kept the theater club very busy.

"We are more than just a club in name, we're very active and very close." said Dejon Ewing, sponser of ACT ONE.

Pictured are; back row from left, James Outhet, Butch Luzier, Robin Dziedzic, Marisa Schultz, Bill Morris, Dejon Ewing, Patrick Baird, Susan Burton, Michael Howell. Front row from left; Kerri Bell, Tricia Parker, Christina Hein, Jennifer Reiser, Miyuki Ito, and Maki Jinki.

Clubs and Organizations

Academic Excellence Challenge



AEC is in its sixth year of organization. The seven-member team came in fourth place in the home-sponsored regional tournament held March 23.

"They were of course disappointed. They know they have one more chance," said Paul Stirnaman, one of the team's advisors. "We simply had a bad day."

Cowley's AEC team will have a second chance to place at the state semi-finals on April 15. If the team places there, it will go on to the national tournament to be held in Florida May 5-10.

AEC will lose one member next year, David Brown, who is graduating.

"We've already signed someone on a scholarship and are looking for others," Stirnaman said.

Team members pictured from left are, David Brown, Andy Speagle, Heather Waldschmidt, Sue Darby, co-sponsor, Robert Taylor and Michael Howell. Not pictured are advisor Paul Stirnaman, Phil Ledesma, Dianna Johnson and Elayne Taylor.

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ADAAC

The Alcohol and Drug Abuse Awareness Council (ADAAC) has 15 active members.

The club was formed to make people aware of how alcohol and drugs affect their physical body and emotions.

ADAAC organizes Soberfest in the fall which is a community awareness week during Arkalalah. The club sponsors a dance for the high school and also makes available the LIMIT computer, which is a computerized drinking simulator.

In the spring, the club's main project is the after prom for the high school. They also participate in a Health and Safety Fair.



Members of ADAAC pictured are, back row from left are: Luke White, Myuki Ito, Mona Hempe, Brett Gottlob, Kim Brunner, Angela Ouellet, Jinki Kim and Vickie Ayers; front row from left, Denise Smith, Maki Kim, Tracy Schenk, Jennifer Reiser, Kerri Bell and Donna Biby.

Actress pays visit to Cowley

Actress Mary Steenburgen coaches students and members of the community during her two acting workshops, held Feb. 22-23 in Cowley's Courtright Room. Photo by Ted Kadau



Clubs and Organizations

Choir



The Concert Choir currently has a group of 28 members. The choir is for anyone who is enrolled as a student at Cowley and there are no auditions.

Members of the Concert Choir, back row, left to right: instructor Yvette Cruse, Tamara Goatley, Teri Tuxhorn, Anna Roberts, Ross Hayden, Thomas Hunter, Junior Conerly, Marylin Lee, Christine El-Sarraf, Telisa Boline, Tina Hyde, accompanist Judy Ramsey; front, Rosalinda Machado, Lorie Lauderbaugh, Camille Boggs, Heather Clark, Amiee Roberts, David Johnson, Greg Cooper, Jennifer Hundertfund, Elaine Stuckey, Samantha Attebury, Jennifer Regnary.

Cowley Co Singers



The Cowley Co Singers is a group of talented singers and dancers who perform at many events. During the year the group has made at least 20 performances.

To be a member a student must audition by singing and dancing. The Cowley Co's are one of the largest performing here.

Cowley Co members, back row from left to right: Ed Clay, Scott Ingalls, David Brown, Ross Jordan, David Johnson, Jon Tyler; second row, Anna Roberts, Teri Tuxhorn, Jennifer Hundertfund, Elaine Stuckey, Lorie Launderbaugh, Tamara Goatley, Heather Clark, Amiee Roberts, Camille Boggs, instructor Yvette Cruse, and accompanist Judy Ramsey.

Cosmetology VICA

The cosmetology classroom of Cowley is unlike the usual in that it provides for hands-on experience. The one-year program also has two sets of graduates.

"The 'August' class graduates in June and the 'January' class graduates in December," said Theresa Jones, Cosmetology VICA president.

Each student is required to complete 1,500 hours of classroom experience, plus book work. After the requirements are completed they take a written and practical test given by the state of Kansas.

"We have them keep a record of the day's activities," Jones said.

Member of Cosmetology VICA are Pat Mauzcy, Sherry Hughes, Gina Schlick, Theresa Jones, Marlene Boatwright, Laurie Juaire, Rebecca McCallister, Cheryl McCully, Lynette Young, Krista Gillespie, Chris Sanders, and Kathi Sheid.



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Dance Line

Dancing their way into the hearts of more than one Cowley student, the Tigerettes have, in the three years that they have been in existance at Cowley, made quite a name for themselves and have been quite busy in the process.

The Dance Line also succeeded in bringing home a Grand National Championship title from Orlando, Florida, which they received at competition during spring break.

Tigerettes pictured are, from left back row, Lana Kemp, Aimee Aubert, Nikki Neal, Shanda Martin, Telisa Boline and Donna Biby; front row, from left, Stephanie Fielder, Amy Adams, Laurie Phillips and Jennifer Loewe.



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Math Club



Mu Alpha Theta is a club for those who enjoy math and science. Club meetings are held once a month.

"Membership is open to anyone meeting the criteria," said sponsor Salem Chaaban.

The criteria includes $25 membership fee which pays for a club t-shirt, certificate and initiation dinner.

Now in its second year, Mu Alpha Theta has 85 members.

Pictured for Mu Alpha Theta are from left, standing: Salem Chaaban sponsor; David Brown, treasurer; Delbert Demaree; Maher El-Sarraf; Mike Howell; Phil Buechner co-sponsor. Sitting from left are: Denise Smith; Cathy Koenke, vice president; Gloria Roberts, president; Maureen Pate; Marisa Shultz; and Liana Dubach, public relations.

Dallas Cowboy Cheerleaders Perform

Shake it girls! The Dallas Cowboy Cheerleaders performed for a sell-out crowd in W.S. Scott Auditorium Feb. 16, 1991.

Photo by Robert Barnett



Clubs and Organizations

Press/Roar News Staff



Entertaining and informing the college campus are the goals of Cowley's two newspapers, the Tiger's Roar and The Cowley Press.

"Our papers have improved much over last year," said journalism advisor Cleon Rickel.

Rickel also said that he enjoys his job as advisor.

"It is different than working for the Traveler (Ark City's newspaper). To be a newspaper person you have to be a professional busy body. Here, you deal with students. I enjoy that quite a bit."

Members of the Roar/Press staff pictured are, left to right, Tim Guesman (manager editor, Roar), Anna Askins, Patrick Obley (managing editor, Press), Christina Hein, Laura Kester, Cleon Rickel.

PULSE staff



Four times a year, including the magazine your holding right now). the PULSE staff brings students at Cowley stories ranging from school events to timely topics.

"It's been a very interesting year, we've had staff members that were dedicated and those who were not so dedicated, we've had to deal with everything from pregancy to short term jail sentences. All in all though it was a pretty good year." said Terri Nighswonger, advisor for the PULSE magazine.

PULSE members pictured are: back row from left, Ted Kadau, Lance Mullen, Tina Bodkins and Terri Nighswonger, advisor. Front row from left are Jason Skinner, Aimee Aubert and Tina Phillips.

Sax Quintet



Busy was the key word for the sax quintet this year, with such performances as the opening of the new Senior Citizens Center, the dedication of the renovated Osage Hotel, playing at the home show, performing at a "Dickens of a Christmas" and playing at the birthday celebration of Crescent Creek Towers, the sax quintet's schedule was full and fullfilling.

"It seemed like the more we performed the more we were asked to perform. People would see us and then ask us to come play somewhere else. It was great. People were very receptive of us and the interest was resounding." said Leonard Barnhill, director of the sax quintet.

Clubs and Organizations

Spirit Squad



Interesting would be a great way to sum up this year for Cowley's Spirit Squad. They performed in three parades, held a cheerleading clinic, tryouts for area High Schools as well as cheered at all of the Cowley home games.

"It was a real learning experience for me. I started out with people who had been recruited by someone else and that made it a little hard at first, however it has been very exciting and very rewarding," said spirit squad and danceline sponser Lana Kemp.

Spirit Squad members, back row from left, are: Kari Arthur, Tammy Marshall, Sherry Knox, Alex Medley, Kellie Bond, Cherri Ward and Rosalinda Machado; front row, from left, Curtis Traffas, James Standly, Will Crow, Bil Cook and Dave Dombaugh.

Student Government Association



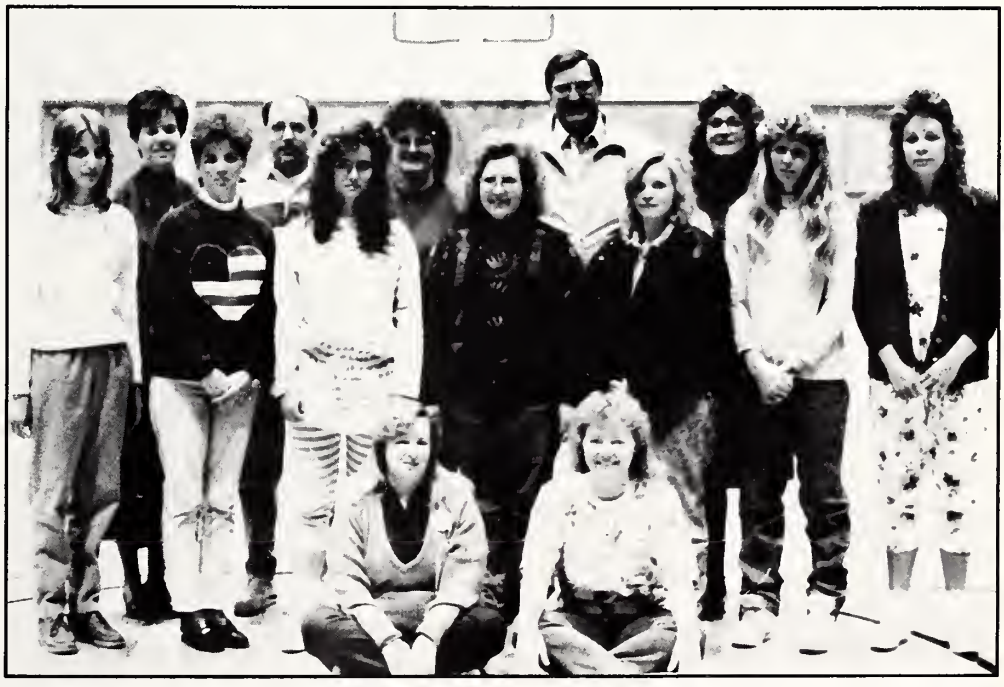
Student Goverment Association kept itself busy this year with several activities geared toward bringing the school closer together, boosting school spirit, as well as just having fun.

"First semester we were really busy. We scheduled all of the beginning of the year festivities, such as the fireworks and the magic show. Then we also sponsored the Halloween dance and built the Cowley float for the Arkalalah parade. It won 2nd place. It was the first time that a Cowley float has won at all. " said Ed Hardgrove, sponsor for SGA.

"The second half of the year we sponsored a talent show, homecoming and the Blood Mobile." Hargrove said.

"Next year is going to be just about the same. The format will be different, but basically the ideas will be the same. We will have free movie nights next year. Some people were worried we wouldn't."

Student Health Organization



Student Health Organization was founded in April of 1990 by Vicki Ayers with unlimited help from faculty and staff.

Although new, the club has had a number of activities in keeping with their role as Health Services "quality control body," Ayers said. Those include making CCCC pamphlets with drug and alcohol information for students, staff and faculty; a Tiger Paws health newsletter; a dorm program; a Health Services survey; a health and safety fair; and blood pressure and cholesterol screening.

Club members are, from left, back row; Vickie Ayers, sponsor; Lance Ray, Liana Dubach, John Jarvis and Diane Donaldson. Front row from left, Bev Nusz, Linda Wethers, Amy Samuelson, Cynthia Foster, Corina Nicely, Cheryl Bruce and Rhonda Davis. In front are Denise Smith, president and Julie Dameron, vice president.

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Band
Jazz and Concert

The Jazz Band for CCCC has ten members and the Concert band consists of thirty-five members, both are under the direction of Leonard Barnhill.

The only requirement to be in either Jazz or Concert Band is to play a musical instrument. "It doesn't matter what major you are to be a member," Barnhill said.

Barnhill has a lot of big plans for next year. The most important is to increase the enrollment by awarding more scholarships.

"Band doesn't take a lot of time, practice only takes an hour and a half every day from Monday through Thursday," he said.

Jazz and concert bands are transferable classes for music majors, but may not be considered an elective for all colleges, Barnhill said. "Band is for those interested in continuing their playing."

VICA

Vocational Industrial Clubs of America (VICA) is a club designed to promote the technical skills used in today's professional world.

VICA officers are Marcus Jankowski, president; Kevin Smokorowski, vice president; Colleen Post, secretary; Tom Vickers, treasurer; and Steve Bilyeu, chaplin.

VICA activities include a hamburger feed, a Christmas canned food drive for the Salvation Army and help with "The Last Run" car show, sponsored by "The Tumbleweeds." The activities help raise funds for other club activities during the year.

"We are planning an ice cream social for May Day," Jankowski said.

Club sponsors are Don Hughes and Jim Martin.

KACC
Honor Band

Members of the KACC Honor Band are chosen from area community colleges. Last year 200 taped entries were received, 82 of which were chosen to play in the band.

The honor band, directed each year by a guest conductor from a major university, plays for the opening session of the KACC Conference (a workshop for teachers).

This year's participants from Cowley are Julie Wilson and Celena Baker.

Leonard Barnhill, Cowley band director, said he will be the chairman for the selection committee next year.

"I will get to listen to most of the audition tapes," he said.

Phi Theta Kappa

Phi Theta Kappa is the International Honor Society of Junior Colleges, under the direction of Jim Meisner.

"The primary purpose of the organization is to honor outstanding students," Meisner said.

To be a member, students must maintain a 3.2 grade point average and must have completed twelve credit hours.

The club has been involved in many activities over the years, such as a float for the Arkalahlah parade. The club also provides tutoring and has aissisted in the city wide campaign for literacy.

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LOOK OUT FOR AUDREY II - Above, Seymour feeds an ailing Audrey II. Left, the Do Wop Girls break into song and below they console and counsel Audrey on the finer points of man-choosing.

Photos by Jason Skinner



Don't feed the plants!



Ron Murphree...

"Each step I have taken in coaching over the years has inhanced who I am today and I would like to see that process continue as long as I can do it."

- Cowley head men's basketball coach and athletic director Ron Murphree on his coaching philosophy



Continuing his Winning Ways...

By Pat Obley

Even in high school, it was obvious that basketball was Ron Murphree's sport.

Born Feb. 12, 1945 in Pittsburg, Okla., Murphree began what would become a lifelong relationship with basketball virtually as soon as he could walk. Murphree sees his duties as Cowley athletic director and head men's basketball coach as the end of a long, winding road that began back in his home town.

Pittsburg was virtually a one-sport town according to Murphree, making his choice of sports rather obvious.

"I came through a small school," Murphree said. "Basketball was the lifeblood of the town. Sometimes it seemed like the whole town's attitude was affected by whether or not the high school was a winner."

During Murphree's years as a player at the school, the teams were a tremendous success, going 80-9, including one incredible year when the team went 32-1, losing only to the state champions.

After his standout years at Pittsburg, Murphree moved on to Eastern Oklahoma junior college and then to East Central State University, where he didn't play basketball.

"Basketball was everything to me as a student," Murphree recalled. "I really didn't expect anyone to take a look at me since I was at such a small school, but when Eastern offered, I took them up without thinking about it.

"It was a chance to continue playing."

Murphree got married after his sophomore year and graduated with degrees in Social Studies and Physical Education and a Masters in secondary education. Also, he was an assistant director of the local Boys Club chapter during his last two years of college.

Though he stayed busy during those years he didn't play basketball at college, the urge to be around the sport stayed in his blood. After college, Murphree took his first coaching job at McAlister high school in 1967.

From there, Murphree wound his way through the Oklahoma high school ranks making stops at Bowlegs, Altus, and Plainview before landing his first junior college duties at Murray State in 1979.

"An old friend in the area hired me as an assistant," Murphree said of his first job. "I was very fortunate in my young career to start out with good coaches. I got a chance to coach on a junior college level and it's been a challenge ever since.

At Murray State, Murphree built an outstanding program that increased in notoriety each season. It was with Murray State that Murphree got his first chance to see Kansas basketball.

"We would come to tournaments and classics in Kansas and I was really impressed with the level of competition."

Offers came, but none were exactly what Murphree wanted. Then one day, the right one came through.

"(Former Cowley coach) Jerry Mullen contacted me about the job at Cowley and talked to the people around here and generally got me interested," Murphree said. "We played Jayhawk Conference teams, and I thought it was an outstanding conference and I hoped I would get the opportunity to coach in it one day."

Around the same time, Independence Community College was trying to lure Murphree, but several factors weighed in his final decision to come to Cowley.

"Cowley had outstanding facilities and offered a much better situation financially. I felt everything was right here to build the program back up to what it was. I felt I might make a difference here right away.

"I didn't feel the pressure to win right away here, like I did at Indy, and the people around here seemed to be patient enough to wait for things to get turned back around."

Murphree accepted Cowley's offer in April, 1984. The task of rebuilding seemed to be formidable as the season that had just ended saw the Tigers win only five games, and finish with a losing record for the third season in a row.

The first year, 1984-85, started off on a bad note as the Tigers dropped six of their first seven games, winning only against Marymount's junior varsity squad. Though that team finished with a 9-18 record, gains had been made in the number of wins in both overall and conference categories. Another good sign was that Cowley had been playing close in each game being outscored by only a four-point average margin.

In '85-86, Cowley won 11 games and went 8-6 in conference play, making the Eastern Division playoffs for the first time in four years, and in the next year, Cowley finally returned to a winning overall record, going 16-13.

After starting out 36-50 in his first three years, Murphree has posted three consecutive 20-win seasons and a 79-40 mark in the last four. This year, the Tigers claimed their first Eastern Division title in 13 years, en route to going 24-6.

Murphree credits his success to a good recruiting program and a defense for which has become his trademark in basketball circles.

"I felt that everything was right here to build the program back up to what it was. I felt I might make a difference right away."

- Murphree on why he chose Cowley

"Our purpose is to have as sound a program as we can, to recruit the best people we can recruit and to make this program as solid in all areas as possible.

"From the standpoint of recruiting, it is very important to me that we do it the right way."

As its reputation states, junior college basketball is known for crooked recruiting. Knowing that and having the unique limit of just five out-of-state players on the roster made recruiting a challenge.

Shortly after coming to Cowley, Murphree unveiled a new defense called the matchup.

"We could never match up well to other teams because we were always so small," Murphree said. "We had to do something different rather than playing man-to-man defense. We kept getting into foul trouble.

"The idea for the matchup came

Winningest coaches at Cowley

1. Dan Stark, 1923-43, 192-140
2. Dan Kahler, 1952-59, 170-49
3. Ron Murphree, 1984-, 116-90
4. Jerry Mullen, 1973-79, 107-67
5. Del Heidebrecht, 1964-71, 89-98



INTENSE - Murphree relies on an intense matchup zone defense to shut the opponent down.

from Bill Green, from Marion, Ind. He had coached several great players and I spoke to him at a coaching clinic in Wichita.

"We took his ideas and applied it to our situation, changing them to fit our needs. It fit into this league well and made us a competitive team."

And winners too...to a point.

The saying, "can't win for losing," became familiar with the program as each year, Cowley would go to the Region VI playoffs and lose in the first game, including this year's loss to Garden City.

"The one thing I strive to do here is reach Hutchinson (the national tournament). We've come close in the last three years, but we would fall apart. If the pieces would just once fall together right..."

"That was one of my proudest moments, to coach my baby."

- Murphree on coaching his son, Kent

During his years at Cowley, Murphree got the unique opportunity to coach his son, Kent.

In his two years at Cowley, Kent set the record for most points in a season and wound up third on the school's all-time scoring chart with 1,153 points.

"That was one of my proudest moments, to coach my baby," Murphree said. "Winning while he was here was very satisfying."

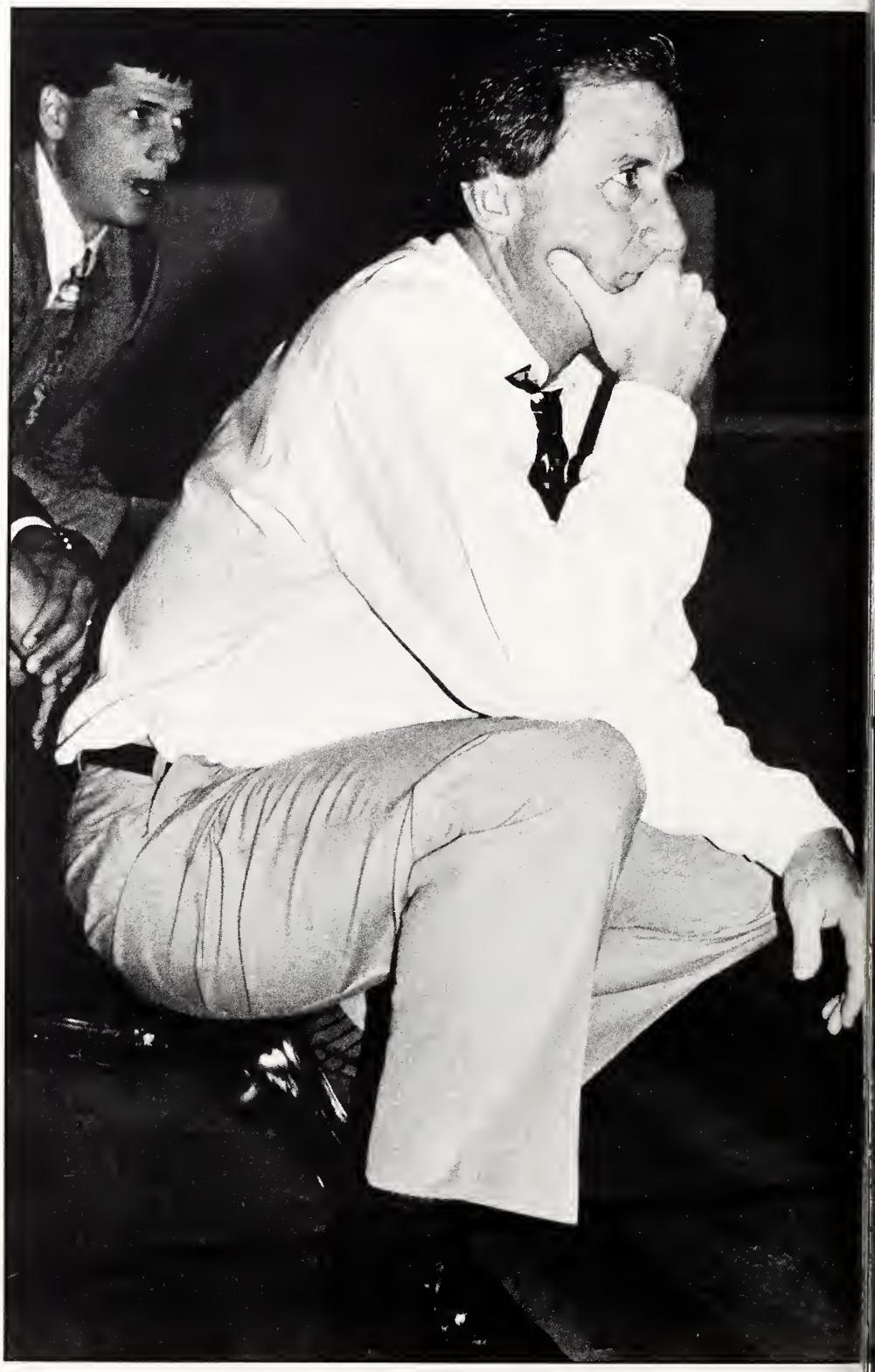
Murphree has had other proud moments too.

"Of all the things I am proud of and most thankful for is seeing the graduation of my kids out of high school. Education is very important to me."

In all, Murphree is father to two stepdaughters, Karen and Lori, and two sons, Brent, 23, and Kent, 21. Brent, also a Cowley graduate, serves in the U.S. Air Force stationed out of Panama. Kent graduated from Cowley last year and went on to Toledo University to work on his degree in political science while playing basketball.

Some coaches would feel the urge to move on if his sons had graduated, but Murphree isn't among them.

"I'm happy with where I am right now," Murphree said. "I'm not sure that I would want to go into another rebuilding situation or have the same job on the same



level.

"If the right situation came around, I might consider it. The right situation would be an NCAA Division I program where I would be the head coach and not the assistant.

Then Murphree got down to what he *really* likes.

"It would have to be a winner, so good that the possibility of losing is slim. It's no fun to lose as a head coach. I don't want to ever be in a situation where I would have to lose ever again."

But Murphree went on to say that coaching at a big-time school might not be for him.

"The competition on the junior college level is tougher. I think this level provides the biggest challenge.

"I have been fortunate to have the right people here to prevent a losing situation from happening. Having people who fit into our system is important in our recruiting."

Murphree said that the last three years have been his most satisfying and that better days are still to come. Though retirement from the sport that has treated him so well will one day be inevitable, Murphree doesn't know when it would happen.

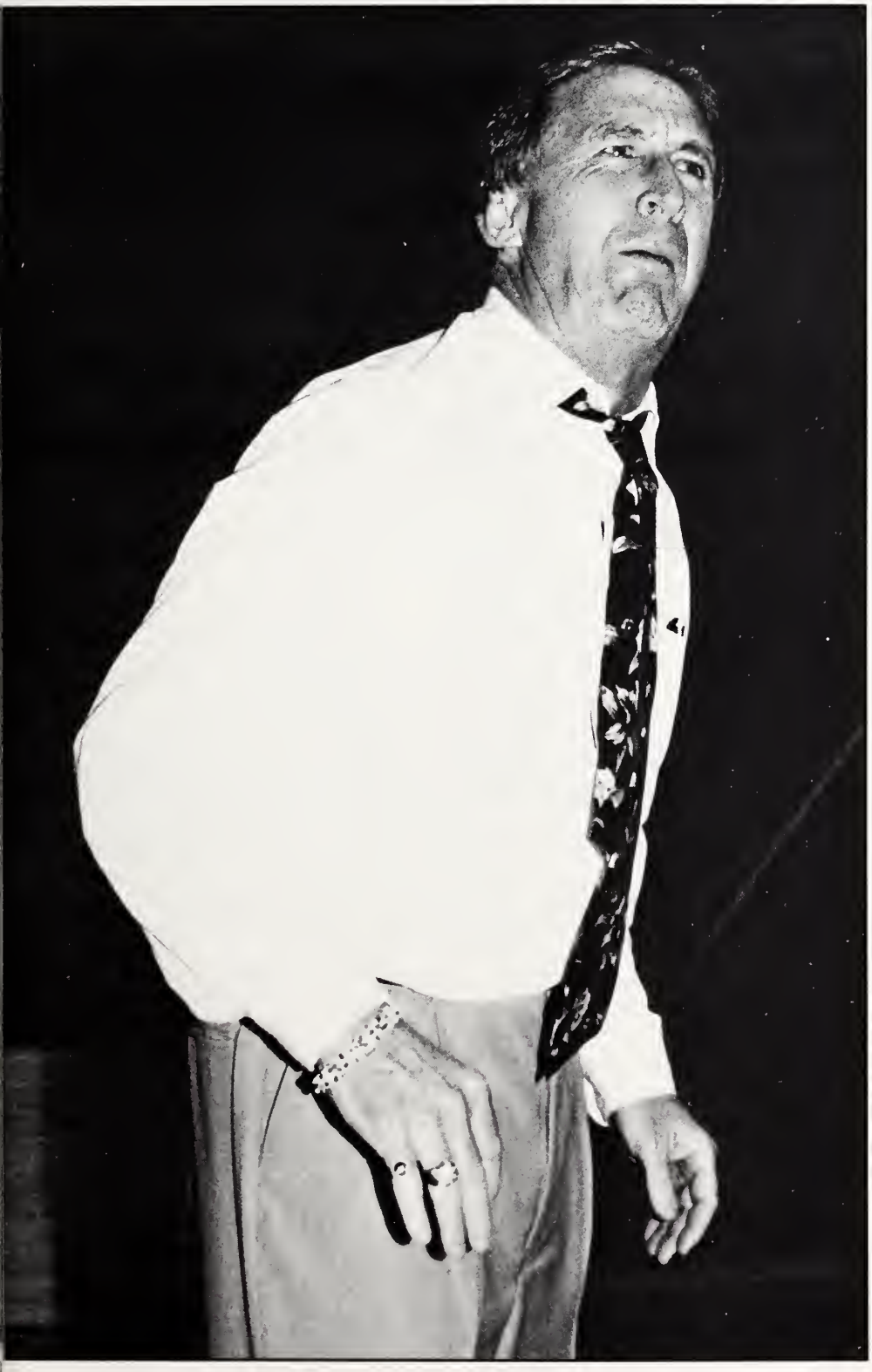
"I could never imagine myself away from basketball."

- Murphree on the subject of retirement

"I haven't got an idea when that would happen," Murphree said. "I could never imagine myself away from basketball. It's my life and its been very good to me.

"Each step I have taken in coaching over the years has inhanced who I am today and I would like to see that process continue as long as I can do it."

For now, jogging and getting into shape ranks high on Murphree's off-season agenda now that the recruiting year is over. Next fall, when the newest edition of his Tigers team takes the court, going forward without any regrets and winning it all will be the goal for the man who has always been a winner.



GEE WHIZ! - One of Murphree's most used expressions when things go wrong on the court. He has a good dance to go with it too.

Cowley softball coach Ed Hargrove says winning is not a problem....

Destinination: Hutchinson

By Pat Obley

Cowley softball coach Ed Hargrove can be seen lurking around Galle-Johnson with a big smile on his face these days.

What makes his big smile look so strange is he shouldn't be smiling after what his team lost from last year's graduation.

Gone from last year's 27-13 team is three starters, including big-time all-region VI pitcher Deb Rutherford, who started most of the games during the season.

But upon being reminded of that fact, Hargrove just continues to look giddy.

His reason? The six starters that he does return from last year and the freshman additions more than cover the vacancies.

"We've got quality in these 16 girls," said Hargrove, now in his seventh year as head softball coach. "All 16 will play in a double header. I think this is the best 16 players I've ever had."

Leading the team are sophomores Sharon Booher and Amy Adams. Booher was the number two pitcher behind Rutherford a year ago, and according to Hargrove, had a better winning percentage.

Adams, who plays third base, won all-Region VI honors with her glove and her bat. Hargrove expects her to lead off the batting order.

Catcher Fran Mann, another returning starter, will again be an important part of the offense along with sophomores Susan Berry, Trisha Rutherford and Booher.

Among the new recruits is Amy Arnold, who Hargrove calls, "the best power hitter I've ever had."

Berry, Rutherford and newcomer Tracy Keefe will make up the outfield. Along with Adams and Mann in the infield will be Arnold at shortstop, and sophomores Angela Cox and Julie Palmer and second base and first base respectively.

Tammy Cole, Tara Hargrove, Diana Lujano, Marti Nittler, Jennifer Reiser, Julie Winegarner, Shelley Jacoby and Jennifer Shaw will fill out the roster.

The Lady Tigers primarily compete in Region VI, which is made up entirely of Kansas community colleges. Last year, Cowley notched 20 wins against six losses in the region, but that does not mean the league was a cake walk.

"Region VI is probably one of the top three or four regions in the country," Hargrove said. "To manage that kind of record against that competition is pretty impressive, but I think this team can do that again."

Johnson County has been tabbed the team to beat in the region with Cowley close behind. Hargrove believes that it will probably be the other way around.

"I expect us to beat them," Hargrove said. "I"d pick us first and Johnson second."

The deciding factor in all the games last season, was team defense Hargrove said. When the Lady Tigers won, the defense was, for the most part, air-tight.

In a game against Kansas City, Cowley was flawless in the field en route to a 17-3 drubbing of the Blue Devils.

"I don't expect that Kansas City will want to remember that game when they play us this year," Hargrove said.

On the flip side, when they lost, it was usually the direct result of ugly fielding.

In a game versus Crowder College last season, Cowley committed seven errors in one inning.

"I just sat there that day and hoped that we all would forget what was happening," Hargrove laughed.

The Region VI playoffs will be in Hutchinson May 2-4. The three-day format is a change from last year's double-elimination tourney.

Cowley started the year off solid, playing well in a home set with Region VI favorite Hutchinson, winning 3-2 over Blue Dragon All-American Danica Vance.

Cowley scored the game-winner on a bases loaded single by Amy Arnold.

"That was one of the most satisfying wins I've had as a coach here," Hargrove said afterwards.

Hargrove and crew were promptly humbled in the second game though, dropping a 10-0 decision.

Through the first seven games

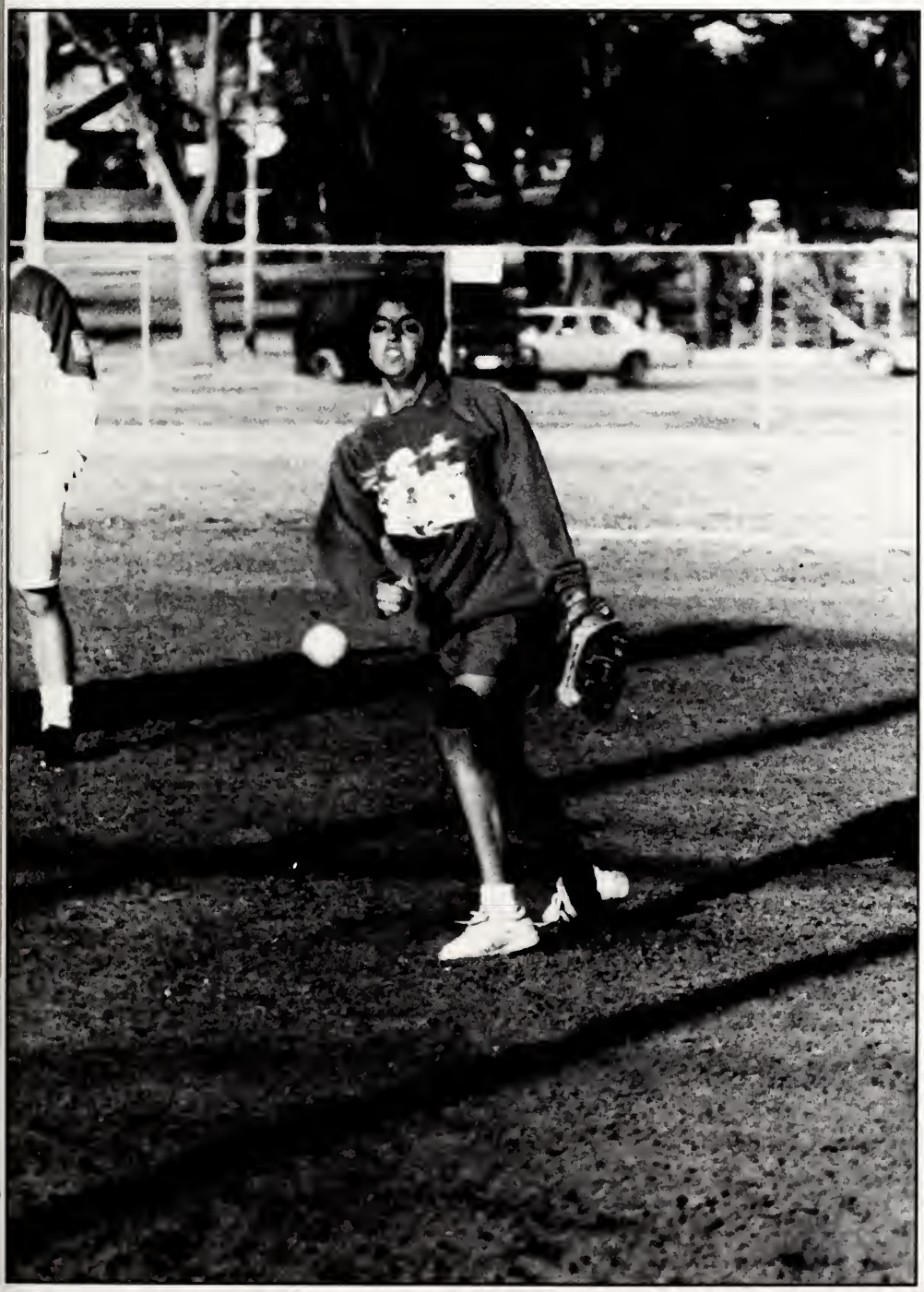
of the year, the Lady Tigers were 5-2, including a 21-0 thumping of Neosho County.

The team batting average stood .330, led by Adams' was batting a cool .596, and Booher was 3-1 with a 1.50 ERA. As a team, the Lady Tigers had a 2.50 ERA.

Whether or not his team is good enough to win the region is not a question, according to Hargrove.

"We can beat them all," said Hargrove, falling back on that smile.

THE WINDUP - Freshman Julie Winegarner tosses a strike during a practice. The Lady Tigers started the year with a 5-2 mark. Winegarner played a major role by going 2-1 during that span. As a team, Cowley was batting .330 with a 2.50 ERA.



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■ Weather conditions and a lack of a grandstand aside, the Cowley baseball team sets its sights on the Eastern Division crown behind solid play at home.

By Pat Obley

Sleet, snow and hail aside, Cowley baseball coach Dave Burroughs is expecting a solid year despite the loss of several key players from last year's 27-19 team.

"I guess the way I should put it is that I'm cautiously optimistic," Burroughs said. "I'm out of the predictions business."

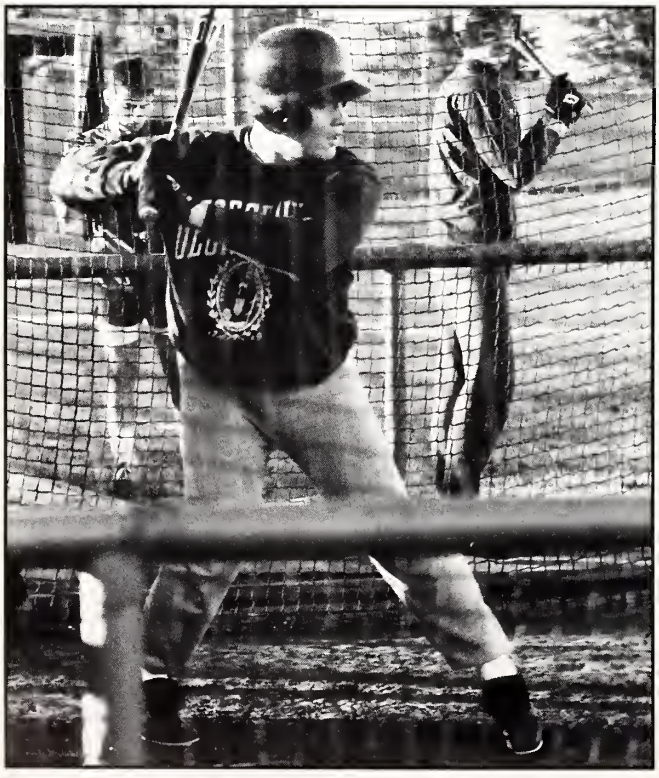
The reason for the cautious approach is the loss of several starting position players and three starting pitchers. The reason for the optimism is that Burroughs has the people to fill in the vacancies.

On the offensive side, sophomores Pete Johnson and Quint Draeger took over full-time third base and first base duties replacing Curt Traffas and John Neff.

The entire outfield had vacancies also, most notably rightfielder David Vesco and center fielder Tracy Magnon. Burroughs said those spots will be wide open among several players.

Unfortunately, the toughest hole to fill on the offense may be the bat of sophomore shortstop Ty Hewitt, whose second year might have been cut short by a rotator cuff injury he sustained last year.

"He played through that injury for part of the season last year," Burroughs said. "In January, his doctors found a muscle that was underdeveloped in his rotator cuff, and they're not sure what they're going to do about it.



POWER STROKE - The Tigers pounded out three homeruns in their March 5 opener vs. Allen County.

"If he doesn't come back, there's going to be a lot of offensive numbers to replace."

Last year batting leadoff, Hewitt batted .400 and stole 37 bases, leading the team in both categories. For now, there is no one who can fully replace those numbers, Burroughs said.

The Tiger pitching staff, according to Burroughs, is the power of the team, Burroughs said, even though three starters from last year graduated.

Sophomores Kelly Stewart, Todd Reed and freshman Corey Bales will replace Kyle Bailey, Billy Black and Mike Butler.

."When I first came to Cowley, the pitching wasn't very good," said Burroughs, who is now in his sixth season at the Tigers' helm. "Now I should say that it may be our strength."

What makes a good pitching staff even better is a spacious ballpark to play in...and that is exactly what City Ball Park is.

"We call our outfield 'the place where fly balls go to die,' " Burroughs said. "You definitely have to sock one to get it out of our park."

Such a huge park calls for a different style of play, Burroughs said.

"We teach our kids to hit line drives and find the gaps when they're batting," Burroughs said. "We also stress the importance of a solid defense."

Most ball parks on the junior

college level are smaller than the Tigers' home field, which gives Cowley an advantage.

"A power hitting team will come in here and try to go long, and on most occasions, they won't make it. You have to adjust your game plan completely.

"We are going to rely on our gap hitting, speed and defense to win our ball games here."

There have been some changes at City Ball Park from a year ago. New sod was laid in the infield and the grandstand was leveled. New bleachers will be delivered in June.

The Eastern division of the Jayhawk Conference, in which the Tigers play, continues to dominate the region, Burroughs said. He believes that the Tigers will be a factor in the upper echelon of the division.

"Johnson County and Allen County will be good again this year," Burroughs said. "But I think that we, along with the other teams, have a good shot this year."

The reason for the confidence is a change in the way division games are being scheduled. This year's format will be a double round-robin where each team will play a home-and-home series.

"It will help to be able to play Johnson and Allen down here, and I think all the other teams in the division think that too," Burroughs said.

Cowley's schedule offered no respite in the early going. After opening the season March 5 with Allen County, 10 of the next 11 meetings were on the road, including a tortuous spring break spree through Kansas City, Ft. Scott and Oklahoma.

"We'll jumped right into it," Burroughs said of the early scheduling. "Those first 18 days were pretty scary."

Cowley began the season by sweeping a twinbill from the league co-favorite Allen County, 16-2 and 9-5. In the first game, the Tigers hit three home runs, two of which came off the bat of Wes Townsley.

"That was definitely a good sign," Burroughs said. "It shows me that this team will play good at home, and that is what we are going to need in order to compete in this league."

Better news ensued. When the team bus pulled into its stall for the last time during spring break, the Tigers owned a 7-6-1 record, leading Burroughs to conclude that the Tigers had a legitimate shot at the title since most of the remaining games were home dates.

Though it is not the case this year, last year Burroughs might not have been so optimistic about playing at home. The reason - the weather.

Last year's playing conditions were rather bizarre. More times than not, snow fell during a home game, sometimes so hard the game had to be postponed. When it wasn't snowing, it was raining.

"Last year's weather was definitely forgettable," Burroughs said. "But that's midwestern baseball. One day it will be 70 degrees and the next day it could be snowing. It just seemed to me that the 70-degree days were always the day before our games.

"Another thing we teach our kids here is how to play in thermal underwear."

1991 BASEBALL SCHEDULE

March			
5	Allen	Here	1pm
7	Pratt	There	1pm
8	Johnson	There	1pm
12	Ft. Scott	There	1pm
13	Rose St.	There	1pm
14	El Remo	There	1pm
15	Oklahoma J.C.	Here	1:30
16	Oklahoma J.C.	There	2pm
17	Kansas City	There	1pm
23	Neosho	There	1pm
26	Independence	There	1pm
29	Allen	There	1:30
April			
2	Johnson	Here	1pm
6	Ft. Scott	Here	1pm
7	Rose St.	Here	1pm
9	Coffeyville	There	2pm
11	Hesston	There	1pm
15	Kansas City	Here	1:30
16	Neosho	Here	2pm
18	Bacone	Here	1:30
20	Independence	Here	2pm
23	Coffeyville	Here	2pm
24	El Reno	Here	1pm
27	Pratt	Here	2pm

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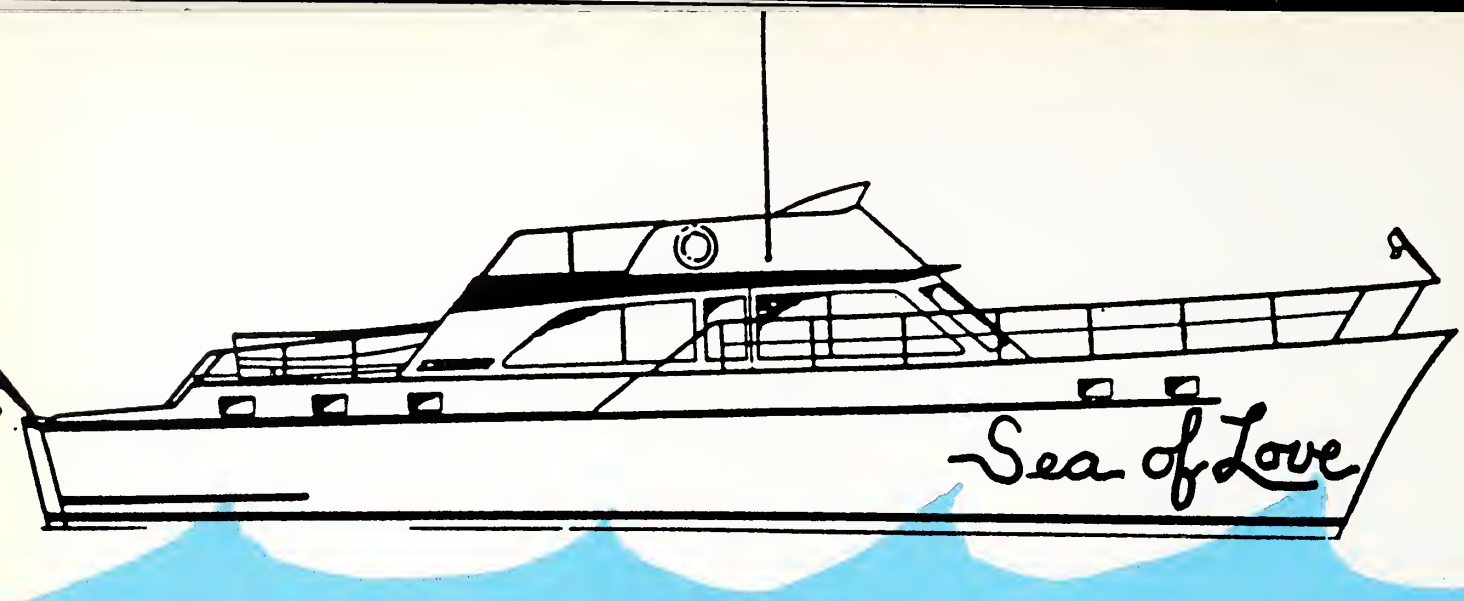
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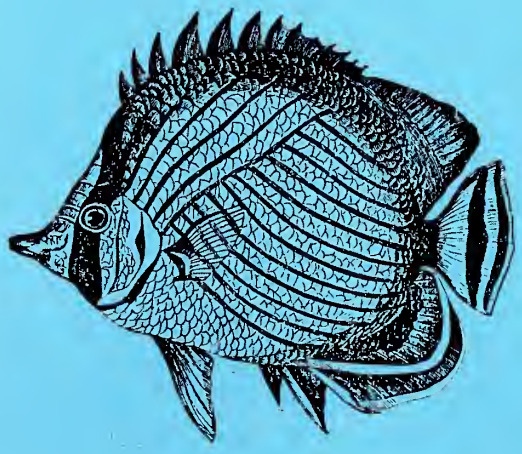
Sea of Love" - if you were a superstitious person you might feel that this phrase holds a sort of aura of good luck around it. As a song by the same title, it gave a little known band called the "Honeydrippers" platinum record selling success. As a movie it put Al Pachino back into the public eye after a ten year absence. Now the phrase has brought some good luck to Cowley in the form of a super homecoming.

Homecoming 1991 started on Jan. 31 with the third annual talent show, which is sponsored by Student Goverment Association. It gives the students and faculty a chance to show off their different talents and possibly earn a little prize money in the process.

First place was won by an untitled rap that was composed and performed by Donyale Singleton. For first place Singleton earned $60. This was the second time that Singleton won first in the talent show. Last year she won with a rap that was composed and performed by herself and Dan Seitz.

Second place was earned by Cyndee Harris who performed her version of "My Father's Eyes" in sign language. Third place was won by Nikki Neal and Amy Adams who did a dance number to M.C. Hammers hit "U Can't Touch This." It was a tie for fourth place between Jennifer Reiser and Sharon Booher who did their rendition of a Richard Simmons workout, and Singleton, Susan Berry and Vince Marcias, who did a dance.

According to its directors, the talent show was a success, but a few new ideas will be used next year in order to make the show even more enjoyable.



"I really thought the talent show went well this year, however I think we are going to try to give prizes to everyone who competes next year. They all work hard on their talents and I feel that they all deserve some sort of a prize," said Ed Hargrove, director of activities.

A pep rally in the school cafateria was held Friday to help increase the support of the basketball team in their game against Independence on Saturday night.

"The pep rally was a success, however next year I think we will try to hold the rally at a better time and probably at a different place. It was held during a time when a lot of kids were trying to eat and then go to class. Also, next year I'd like to try to plan more activities the Friday before Homecoming," Hargrove said.

Also incorporated into the Homecoming activities were a balloon stomp, an orange and black day, and a reception for Cowley alumni.

The homecoming festivities were wrapped up with the Cowley Independence game, the coronation of the homecoming king and queen and the traditional after-game dance.

This year's king and queen were sophomore Amy Adams and her escort for the ceremony, sophomore Chad Gilbert. Adams is a business administration major. She is the daughter of Bob and Betty Adams of Ponca City, Okla., and is attending Cowley on a softball scholorship. As a softball player she has been named most valuable offensive player and most

Homecoming '91

story by Ted Kadau

valuable defensive player, as well as being a member of the first annual Cowley Press team of outstanding Tiger athletes and NJCAA All-Region team member. Adams is also involved in Danceline and was a finalist for Queen Alalah. She plans to attend flight school in Dallas, Texas, following her schooling here at Cowley.

Chad Gilbert is a pre-law major who is attending Cowley on a baseball scholarship. He is the son of Bob and Brenda Gilbert of Andover. Chad is involved in baseball and Phi Theta Kappa and he is a student ambassador, a resident assistant and a Mr. Cinderfella participant.

Neither Adams nor Gilbert expected to win the homecoming titles.

"I was really suprised when they called out my name I really didn't expect to win, or to even be in the top five for that matter. It was really great," Adams said.

Gilbert felt much the same way. "I didn't expect to win king. I was very nervous but it was a lot of fun. I'm glad that the waiting is over," he said.

Though this is the first time that either Adams or Gilbert have won king and queen titles at Cowley they have both been candidates in homecoming activities before.

"I was a homecoming king in high school once, but this was totally different," Gilbert said.

Adams also has been up for a Homecoming title. "I was up for homecoming queen in high school, however I didn't win. It was really nice though," she said.

Both Adams and Gilbert received gifts from the college, as well as the invitation to come back



next year for the homecoming ceremonies to help with next year's coronation.

"I received roses, a bracelet that has an inscription that reads 'Queen 1991,' and also a $75 gift certificate from Harvey's," Adams said.

Gilbert received several gifts. "I received a gold key chain that reads 'King 1991,' and a $75 gift certificate to Mr. Harvery's." Gilbert said.

Ironically Gilbert was Adams escort for the cermonies. "It was really strange. Chad and I had decided early on that he would be my escort for the coronation. I asked Ed Hargrove if it would be ok and he said it would. I think probably Ed knew when I asked him. I was really supprised. I thought if he knew he'd probibly tell me. "

Gilbert felt much the same way. "I thought it was kind of odd that we were each other's escorts. I had asked her earlier and it was really strange that we ended up getting king and queen."

Along with Gilbert and Adams four other couples competed for the crown of homecoming king and queen. These included Tammy Marshall, who in the daughter of Jim and Wanda Musson and Ed Marshall, all of Ark City.

Also up for the queen this year was Jennifer Reiser, who is the daughter of Larry and Sue Reiser of Edmond, Oklahoma.

Jennifer's escort for the evening was Pete Johnson, who is the son of Joe and Carol Johnson of Vinita, Oklahoma.

Also up for homecoming queen this year was Marisa Schultz. Marisa is the daughter of Aubury



VANILLA ASHMORE - Silas Ashmore fulfills his Cinderfella duties as he joins the Tigerettes during half time of the Homecoming Game.

and Chloe Ann Schultz of Udall.

Marisa's escort for the evening was king candidate Quint Draeger, Quint is the son of Gary and Roberta Draeger of Chelsea, Oklahoma.

Homecoming queen candidate Telisa Boline is the daughter of Terry Boline and Christa Nixon, both of Winfield.

Telisa's escort for the evening was sophomore king cantidate Will Crow. Will is the son of Charles and Verla Crow of Caldwell.

Though not all could take the crown, all did have a great time in the running. Also each were given gifts as a remembrance of this very special occasion.

Following the coronation and the game was the traditional dance.

The dance was a great success, Hardgrove said. "I'd definately call the dance a success. There were about 200 to 225 people in attendence and I think that everyone had a really great time."

Overall, Homecoming 1991 was a success. A lot of great memories were made and the "Sea of Love," brought smooth sailing to all who participated.

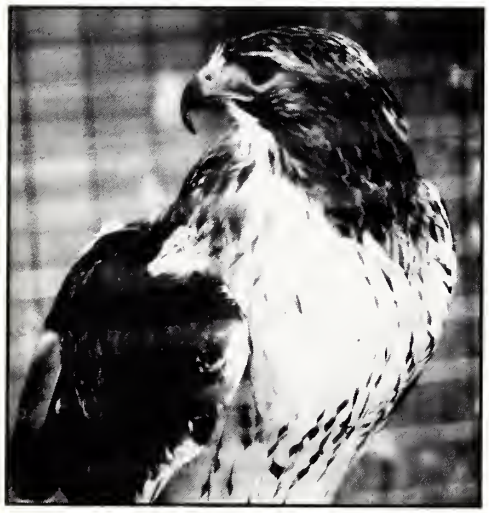


Chad Gilbert & Amy Adams

Nature at its best

Chaplin Nature Center

by Tina Phillips



Hi THERE! A red tailed hawk poses for the camera. (Photo by Jason Skinner).



WEB OF TREES. A grove of trees frames the sunset at the center (Photo By Jason Skinner).



GROUNDED! A wounded bald eagle rests in its protective cage (Photo by Jason Skinner).

You spot a beautiful cardinal testing the wind with its brilliant red wings. While you are admiring its grace and beauty you are suddenly serenaded by the loud honking of a nearby car.

Such is the dilemma of a city dweller in search of the peace and serenity only found in nature. Fortunately for Ark City, there is a place to get away from it all - the Chaplin Nature Center.

In 1874 the site was the homestead of a close relative of the late Mrs. C. Steadman (Hazel) Chaplin. It was later purchased by Mrs. Steadman Chaplin's grandfather in 1901.

The Chaplins were very careful to preserve the natural surroundings on their farm. They hoped to preserve the area and eventually convert it into a nature center.

In November of 1980, Gerald J. Wiens, naturalist, came to work full time at the center. Wiens has a Bachelor's Degree in Environmental Bilogy.

"When I went into college I entered a tight field of competition," Weins said. "My first two jobs were not directly related to my major. A friend from college told me the Audubon Society was looking for someone to oversee the Chaplin Nature Center. I applied and here I am."

The Center draws a wide variety of visitors.

"All kinds of ages come - preschool, elementary, high school, college, adult civic groups, church groups, and senior citizens," Weins said. "Every year the number of

school children visiting increases. They come from a 50-70 mile radius. Most come from Ark City, Winfield, Wichita, Oxford, El Dorado, and Newkirk. Last year, 2,500 school children visited the Center."

The Center has four to five miles of walking trails. These trails are open, year-round, from sunrise to sunset for anyone who wants to visit. However, if a group wishes to use the Visitor's Center or would like a guided tour by Mr. Weins, reservations are necessary.

Weins is actively involved in the care of the center and its wildlife. Just behind the Chaplin farmhouse, where Weins and his family live is an area set aside for wounded animals. Among the wounded Weins is now caring for are a red tailed hawk with an injured wing; A screech owl blind in one eye; a ferret, formerly someone's pet turned over to the center when they could no longer take care of it, and a bald eagle.

"The bald eagle caught its wing on a tree branch or a power line,"Weins said. "It will never be able to return to the wild again." The bird has been in the Center's care for three years.

"We try not to keep healthy animals in cages," Weins said. "As soon as their injuries heal, we set them free."

The Center has many resources to help individuals understand more about nature and what they can do to preserve it.

Resources include nature trails, a visitor's center, a nature library, a bookstore and gift shop, and a multi-purpose room which is available for rent by various groups.

"People come out for a variety of reasons," Weins said. "Some just enjoy being outdoors, some like the birds and wildlife while others come out for exercise. . A retired minister even comes out three times a week to walk the trails."

"The center is the busiest for two months in the spring and fall," Weins said. "Sometimes we have to turn people away. When we're full, we're full."

During the winter the weather presents an added beauty but also problems for the center.

"In the winter we must be selective on the days we lead tours. We don't always know what the weather will be like. We try to schedule some field days on short notice on weeks when the weather is supposed to be nice," Weins said.

Because of his dedication to his work, Weins spends many hours maintaining the Center.

"I like the flexible hours. It is nice to have a job I like doing. Some people spend their lives doing something they hate," Weins said.

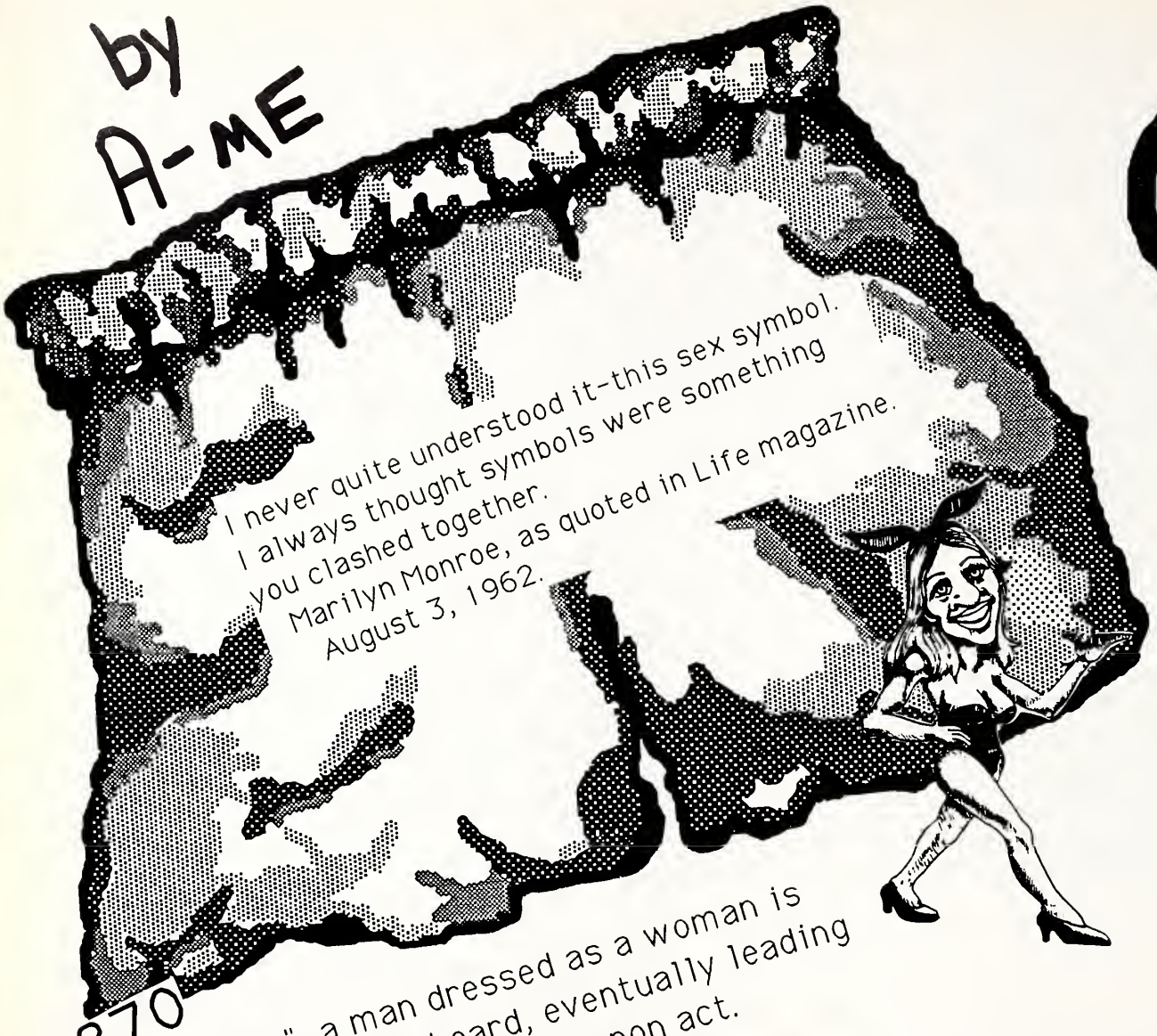
The Nature Center is non-profit organization dependent on voluntary gifts of time and contributions to further educational programs on the premises.

Swan and Shadow

Dusk
Above the
water hang the
loud
flies
Here
O so
gray
then
What — A pale signal will appear
When — Soon before its shadow fades
Where — Here in this pool of opened eye
In us — No Upon us As at the very edges
of where we take shape in the dark air
this object bares its image awakening
ripples of recognition that will
brush darkness up into light
even after this bird this hour both drift by atop the perfect sad instant now
already passing out of sight
toward yet-untroubled reflection
this image bears its object darkening
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water — Breaking up No Being regathered
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1870 "Daring Lulu", a man dressed as a woman is "shot" from a springboard, eventually leading to the man shot out of the cannon act.

circus! DAYS



1920's **Alfredo Codoma perfects triple somersault form one flying trapeze to another. His wife, Lillian Leitzel, "Queen of the Aerialists" perfects her act of pivoting 200 times while suspended from a swivel high above the crowd (She plunged to her death while doing this act in 1931, on a Friday the 13th).**

Names for women through the years

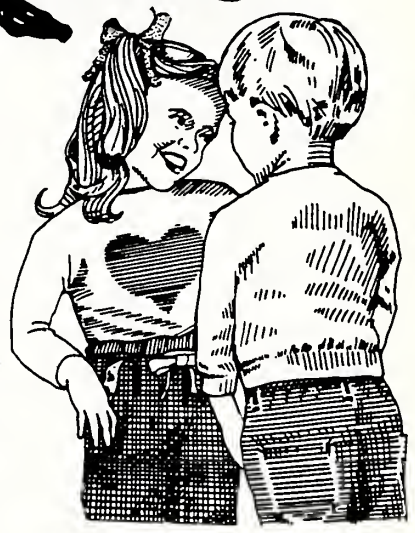
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Did you ever wonder where some of the words we use today came from? Well, here's just a few- I think you'll be surprised!

Courting



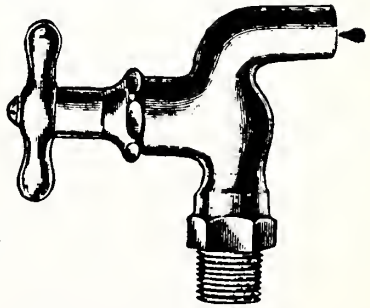
Hickies

Red marks on necks called hickies (1920, from the 1913 hickie, hickey meaning a "doohickey", a small device or gadget.



Lovey-dovey, 1870, having reached the billing and cooing stage.

To mash, 1860, to flirt: masher, 1875, a man who makes advances in public places (he was said to be fresh by 1906, fresh having meant impudent or saucy since 1848



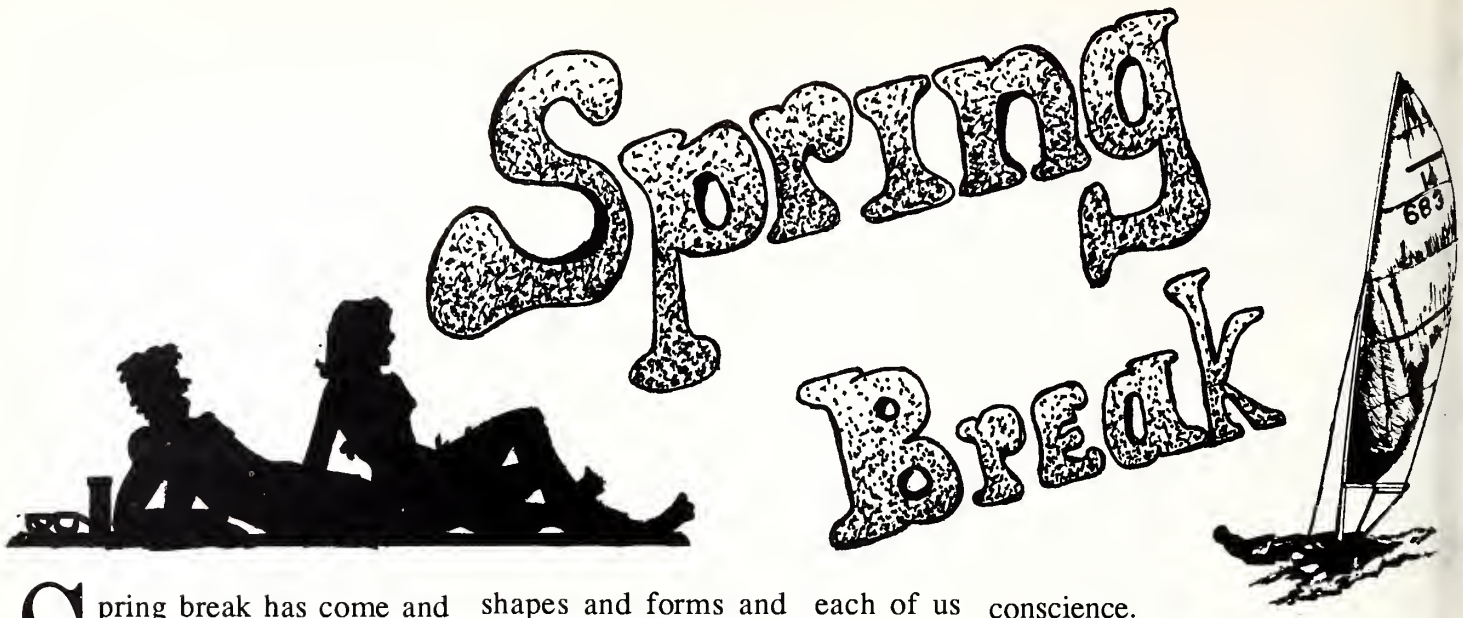
It's a pity schoolteachers and critics won't sanction our use of ain't, which is a perfectly good and useful word. It started out as an't, a contraction of "am not" first recorded in England in 1706, and this form was used in America by 1723.

Just say → YES

bet your boots-1820
uh-huh-1830's
O.K.-1840
you bet-1866
you said it-1919

or NO

nope-1890
are you kidding-1890
no way-mid 1960's
no can do-1923
nah-1931
ixnay (Pig Latin for nix)-late 1920's



Spring break has come and gone but many of us feel that school should already be out. At any rate, we all needed the rest to curb our "burn-out" tendencies.

How close did you come to fulfilling your vacation plans? Here's what some of you said beforehand.

Sophomore Mona Hempe - "I will go home, be a bum, and sleep."

Sophomore Denise Smith - "I am wanting to go to Texas to see my best friend."

Freshmen Myuki Ito - "I will go to Kansas City to shop and stay at a friend's home."

Freshmen Jinki Kim - "I will visit my friends or stay in the dorms."

Freshmen Stephanie Fielder -"I am going to Orlando, Florida to perform for Danceline's national competition in Disney World at Epcot Center."

Sophomore Tim Batterton - "I will possibly go look for a job at Cessna or go on a road trip. I've also got an interview for track racing."

Sophomore Will Crow - "Ted Kadau and I are going trout fishing in Missouri."

Sophomore Anna Roberts - "I may go to Boston or go home to earn some money."

It is the time of the year that most of us suffer from the syndrome called "spring fever."

Spring fever comes in many shapes and forms and each of us deals with it differently.

Picture yourself in a boring, hot classroom. You find it hard to concentrate because thoughts of fishing in a sunny country meadow or sun tanning at the lake flood your mind.

Suddenly you are jolted into reality by the impatient stare of your instructor who has just asked you a question. Do you fake it or just say nothing?

If you find yourself experiencing these symptomes you are a victim of "spring fever."

Do not despair! There is a cure for these springtime blues. We must first put things in a proper perspective.

On the serious side, we owe it to ourselves and our teachers to put our studies at the top of our list and recreation at the bottom.

Let's face it, it does not do us a lot of good to study hard in the beginning and fizzle out in the end.

We deprive ourselves of receiving the best grade we are capable of. By planning ahead and making the most of every minute, we can free up time for ourselves.

For instance, instead of clowning around with your buddies in the afternoon, do homework. (Some things are easier said than done.) If you follow this principle you can enjoy the evening with a free conscience.

When the homework load is especially heavy, partying should be left for the weekend. If you want to learn something and prepare yourself for the future, you will have to make sacrifices every now and then.

Times are changing. No longer can you expect to get a decent job to make ends meet without a college education.

When you were in high school, your parents likely nagged at you constantly to do your homework. Now you are your own boss. But consider this. If you want to do anything important with your life, you will have to put some effort into your education.

Our whole nation has awakened to see how inadequate our educational system is. There are millions of adults in this world who cannot even read. However, it is not entirely our educator's faults. If we do not study like we should we are the real losers.

It is high time we look at things as they really are and apply ourselves accordingly. Just getting a passing grade will not cut it anymore.

We are the future of America. If we do not make a move to discipline ourselves now while it is easy, how will we rule our nation?

Perhaps with these ideas in mind we will all take a different atitiude toward our education. Good luck in your studies!

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